

THE JOURNEY OF LIFE

1Ki 19:4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I *am* not better than my fathers.

1Ki 19:5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise *and* eat.

1Ki 19:6 And he looked, and, behold, *there was* a cake baked on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.

1Ki 19:7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise *and* eat; because the journey is too great for thee.

1Ki 19:8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

1Ki 19:7

But the angel wakened him a second time, and called upon him to eat with these words: “for the way is too far for thee” (רַב מִמְּךָ הַיָּרֵד, *iter est majus quam pro viribus tuis* - Vat.).

Luk 10:30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.

Luk 10:31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

Luk 10:32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and passed by on the other side.

Luk 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, **as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,**

Luk 10:34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

Luk 10:35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

Luk 10:36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

Luk 10:37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

WE ARE NOT DESIGNED FOR EARTHLY KINGDOMS BUT FOR HEAVENLY KINGDOMS

Like the song says: “This world is not my home, I am just a passing through, my treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue, the angels beckon me from heaven's open door and I can't feel at home in this world anymore”

Heb 13:14 For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

1. Abraham left earthly kingdoms to follow the promise of a better Kingdom

Gen 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

Gen 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

Gen 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Heb 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

Heb 11:9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

Heb 11:10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Heb 11:9

sojourned — as a “stranger and pilgrim.”

in — *Greek*, “into,” that is, he went *into* it and sojourned there.

as in a strange country — a country *not belonging to him*, but to others (so the *Greek*), [Act 7:5](#), [Act 7:6](#).

dwelling in tabernacles — *tents: as strangers and sojourners do:* moving from place to place, **as having no fixed possession of their own.** In contrast to the abiding “city” ([Heb 11:10](#)).

2Co 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

1Pe 2:9 But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

1Pe 2:10 Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

1Pe 2:11 Dearly beloved, **I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims,** abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

SHUR, MARAH AND ELIM

1. When they left the land of Egypt, there was not a house where there was not one dead. In every house in Egypt there was **either a dead lamb or a dead first born.**
2. Blood on every door post of the saved, thus Pharaoh was glad not only to let them go, but was glad to give them whatsoever they needed for their journey.
3. God led His people by the way Of the wilderness and by the way of the tpillar of fire.
4. Pharaoh decided to give chase. The children of Israel crossed the Red Sea as by dry ground, which Pharaohs’ army gave chase as were drowned in the Red Sea. Miriam and all the women took their timbrels in their hands and went out and danced for joy.

SHUR

Exo 15:22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.

1. The children of Isreal went out into the wilderness of Shur, and after journeying in the wilderness for thre trials and tests. Three days, they became thirsty, but found no water. **There was not water at Shur.**
 - a. Salvation and singing and shouting are always followed by trials and tests. First real test that came to Isreal after crossing the Red Sea was at Shur. We must be prepared for the tests while we are journeying towards our Canaan Land.

MARAH

Exo 15:23 And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they *were* bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.

Exo 15:24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?

Exo 15:25 And he cried unto the LORD; and the LORD shewed him a tree, *which* when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he proved them,

1. The next place they came to was called Marah, and they could not drink of the waters of Marah for they were bitter. The people murmured against Moses who cried unto the Lord and the Lord shewed him a tree, which, when he had cast into the water, the waters were made sweet.
 - a. After we leave Egypt or the world there are many bitter things to meet. There are many bitter pills to swallow while we are on our way to the promise land, but if we suffer we shall also reign with Him.
 - b. When we meet with bitter experiences we must bring the branch (Christ) of the tree (Calvary) into all our bitter experiences and all our bitterness will be turned into sweetness's.

- c. When tested and tried, remember that Christ also endured the contradiction of sinners against Himself.
- d. The waters of Marah was a test of Disappointment. WE ought to learn to change the D to H and make HIS APPOINTMENT. Every believer must meet his Marahs.

ELIM

1. At Elim there were seventy palm trees and twelve wells of water. The palm trees protected them from the scorching sun, and the wells provided them with an abundance of life refreshing water, sufficient to satisfy their every need.
2. The Palm Tree speaks of victory and joy, and if we will but press our way past the Shurs and the Marahs, we shall be brought to our Elims.

Psa 61:1 To the chief Musician upon Neginah, A Psalm of David. Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

Psa 61:2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, **when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock *that is higher than I.***

Psa 61:3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* a strong tower from the enemy.

Psa 61:4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.

Isa 40:28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding.

Isa 40:29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

Isa 40:30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

Isa 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.