Fear Not, Stand Firm, Trust God's Salvation

June 3, 2018 Oakbrook Community Church (PCA) Exodus 13:17-14:14 Pastor Mark W. Turner

An Unlikely Journey

- God didn't take his people the 'normal' way.
- ▶ God Always Knows which way is best Psa 119:105; 1 Cor 2:10-16
- Carried the bones of Joseph (19) fulfill: Gen 50:24-26. Joseph had faith in God Heb 11:22. Completed Jos 24:32.
- ► God is Always Faithful to His People trust God unlike people Ex 14:11
- God led his people day & night (21-22)
- God is Always Present to Guide His People We have better: In 14:15-17

Perfect Setup for God's Glory Alone

- Not an Overnight (quick) Escape
 Days of travel 20,22. From Passover Ex 12:51 to Wilderness of Sin Ex 16:1 seems to be 31 days! Likely Passover to Red Sea 14+ days!
- God had His People right where he wanted them
 Being at Pi-hahiroth was not by accident. People should NOT have feared Ex 14:10-12. Failure to remember who God is: Psa 106:7
- Look to God Alone for Salvation Ex 14:13-14; 1 Cor 10:13.

Apply: Christianity is NOT what we do - it is about what CHRIST has DONE through the CROSS and EMPTY TOMB.

What must I do to be saved Act 16:31 - Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ... Think often on the Gospel & God's Salvation to live victoriously!

Think & Discuss:

- What Unlikely Journey has God taken you on? How would knowing these 3 truths have helped? Can you think of an example of each of these truths in your life?
- Take time to examine the possible routes for the Exodus.
- Thinking of the Red Sea being at least 2 weeks after Passover what are the implications for the people? Mental state, etc.
- When the Egyptians bore down on the Israelites what did the Israelites focus on? What should they have focused on? How do you usually respond?
- What does it mean to look to God alone for Salvation? Does it mean 'let go and let God'? What is the balance between exercising faith and resting in what God has done?

One of many possible routes for the Exodus (Not my favorite):

