# Saved By God's Amazing Power for His Glory

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#### Who?

- Israelites God's chosen; Egyptians rebelled against God
- Which group would you be a part of?

## What?

- A miraculous crossing of the Red Sea an amazing display of God's power
- Nothing compared to our salvation Rm 1:16; 1 Cor 1:18
- May we remember God's power each day Eph 1:16-20

## When?

- Probably 2+ weeks after Passover... at God's perfect timing
- v15 going forward seemed impossible until v16 sea divided
- Our salvation is impossible unless God acts... cry out to God in faith Psa 34:17; Psa 50:15; Jer 33:3

### Where?

- Today the where is unknown, but God was present with His people & He saved them, even Egyptians understood that: v19, 25
- God controls circumstances to accomplish His perfect plan, even in the face of grumbling people 10-12.
- Don't grumble and miss God's glory remember who God is and what He has done and how He has redeemed you for His glory: Eph 1:7-10

#### How?

- Our God who created all in 6 days allowed His people to be trapped by the Egyptians and the Sea. God miraculously opened the sea so His people walked on dry land and confused the Egyptians so they were destroyed.
- Know: Salvation is of the Lord
- Will you trust the Lord's salvation or take things into your own hands?
- God's purpose was not to alleviate His people's difficulty and unrest but instead to show forth His glory.
- World: pain & suffering something to be avoided by education, planning, awareness, etc. But that makes suffering worthless...
- Bible: pain & suffering result of Fall that reminds us of the consequences of sin & that only God can deliver

## **Think & Discuss:**

- Which group (Israel or Egypt) do you think you would have been a part of? Why? Could anyone be part of the Israelites Ex 12:38, 48?
- How should we today glorify God as we remember our Great Salvation (Exodus) in our lives? Eph 1:16-20
- Would you have been part of the 'complainers' Ex 15:10-12? How do we do that today? What does proper crying to God for help look like? Psa 34:17; 50:15; Jer 33:3
- Do you ever wonder why God 'allowed' His people to be put in such a difficult position Ex 14:19? How do we do that today?
- Contrast Israel's passage through the Sea and how God has saved you. What similarities are there? What differences?
- Think of a difficulty (past or present) you are facing? How can you steward it to bring glory to God? What things would make your account list you as a 'complainer'? What things would cause you to be listed as one who is faithful (Heb 11)?

Some of many possible routes for the Exodus (Note places are not all known):

