

MOSES PART VIII
“POSITIONED FOR SUCCESS”
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INTRODUCTION

- Exodus 15 God reveals Himself as a healer. Exodus 16 God reveals Himself as a provider. Exodus 17 reveals Him as our banner or standard.
- The Israelites have conflicts, battles, like us; that is life.
- The Amalekites opposed not just the people of God, but the plan of God.
- Moses who is probably 81 years old at this time faces another battle, but he must take a different stand.
- Exodus 17:9-11, “...fight against Amalek. Tomorrow I will station myself on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.” ¹⁰Joshua...fought against Amalek; and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹So it came about when Moses held his hand up, that Israel prevailed, and when he let his hand down, Amalek prevailed.”

I. CONFLICTS AND LIFE

- What is God doing here? Building people. God reveals Himself to us in deeper ways in the struggle.
- God uses the school of life to build people.
- To reveal Himself.
- There is the water issue and the Amalekite issue.
- There is the issue of how to live in the daily struggles.
- The picture is clear, live on two levels.
- One in God and one on earth, make sure they meet!

II. THE MOUNTAIN AND THE VALLEY

- Life is lived in both places, in the trenches and in the mountains.
- Two things we have to see:
First, all our battles take place on two fronts.
 - The Physical and the spiritual. You need to pray and you need others holding you up as well.
 - Joshua needed Moses and Moses needed Aaron and Hur, who do you need?
 - Staff of God - God’s authority in Moses’ life.Second, practical everyday issues of conflict need prayer.
 - We all need partnership in the battle.
 - No lone rangers in the kingdom.
 - Romans 8:26, “I do not know how to pray as I ought but the Holy Spirit does...”
 - Waiting before God is when He gives us supernatural insight into situations and people.

III. PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION

- Joshua down in the valley doesn’t know it, but he is the next generation.
- Moses’ prayer is setting the course for Joshua’s destiny.
- Moses was gaining authority in the spiritual realm and Joshua was learning to know how important prayer was for his life.
- None of us can move in authority with God if we don’t pray and have others praying for us and with us.
- Vs. 15 - Moses made an altar and called God Jehovah Nissi - the Lord is my banner = or standard

