

Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

“Parting of the Red Sea” – Exodus 14:15-31 (Part A)

I. Introduction.

- A. The Red Sea parting is now a metaphor for what appears impossible becoming possible.
 - 1. Examples.
- B. Real miracles are impossible but made possible through divine power.
- C. Three great climaxes to the book of Exodus.
 - 1. Chapter 14.
 - 2. Chapter 19.
 - 3. Chapter 40.
- D. Review of last week.
 - 1. “Do not fear.”
 - 2. “Yahweh will fight for you.”
- E. Reading of the text: Exodus 14:15-31.

II. Exposition.

- A. Verse 15.
 - 1. “Why are you crying out to me?”
 - a. Why does it seem that God is correcting Moses?
 - 1. Exodus 14:10
 - 2. Moses as representative.
 - 2. “Go forward.” Time for action.
- B. Verse 16.
 - 1. Israel shall go through the midst of the sea on dry ground.
 - a. Meaning of dry: Genesis 1:9.
 - b. Yahweh is the source of the miracle. Isaiah 51:10; 63:12.
- C. Verse 17.
 - 1. “I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, . . . and I will be honored through Pharaoh and his army.”
 - 2. “Honored,” Kābēd.

D. Verse 18.

- 1. Repetition of verse 17.

E. Verses 19-20.

- 1. Angel of God.
- 2. Numbers 22:22-23, 31-32.
- 3. Movement of the cloud.

F. Verse 21.

- 1. “Over the sea.” Where did this take place?
 - a. Yam Suph.
 - 1. Bernard Batto; James Hoffmeier.
- 2. “All night” – not immediate.
- 3. Strong east wind.
 - a. Opposite side of the sea – this means the Hebrews had to wait all night.

G. Verse 22.

- 1. “Dry ground.”
- 2. “Waters were like a wall.”

H. Verses 23-24.

- 1. Morning watch, verse 24 – a division of time.
- 2. Confusion – Note I Samuel 7:10.

I. Verse 25.

- 1. Caused their chariot wheels to swerve.

J. Verses 26-27.

- 1. Sea returns.
- 2. At day break.

K. Verse 28.

- 1. “Entire army.” Not all the military might of Egypt.

L. Verses 29-31.

- 1. Redemption narrative and creation narrative similarities.
- 2. Verses 30,31 – Whose hand was mightier?

III. Reflection and application.

- A. God’s angel defends his people.
- B. God’s mighty hand is the means of deliverance for those who are his.