

Text: **Exodus 13:17-22**

**GOD'S LEADING FROM EGYPT TO CANAAN**

1. Out of Egypt

a) Rameses to Succoth (Exodus 12:37)

b) Succoth (Exodus 13:17)

2. Not by the land of the Philistines (Exodus 13:17)

3. Reason for not choosing this shorter route

a) The Philistines would attack them

b) Israel would not have been ready to face war

c) The people might become discouraged (Exodus 13:17)

d) They might want to return to Egypt (Exodus 13:17)

**THE ROUTE TO CANAAN**

1. By way of the wilderness (Exodus 13:8)

2. Red Sea (Exodus 13:18)

**THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL**

1. Went up by orderly ranks (Exodus 13:18)

2. The bones of Joseph were brought with them (Exodus 13:19)

3. Joseph's wish

a) His faith

*"God will surely visit you..." Exodus 13:19*

b) Bones

*"And you shall carry my bones from here with you" Exodus 13:19*

## **THE EARLY STAGE**

1. From Succoth
2. Camped at Etham at the edge of the wilderness (Exodus 13:20)

## **THE LORD'S LEADING**

1. The LORD went before them (Exodus 13:21)
  - a) Pillar of cloud by day (Exodus 13:21)
  - b) Pillar of fire by night (Exodus 13:21)
2. He did not take away the pillars of cloud and fire (Exodus 13:21)
  - a) Permanent Presence of the Lord
  - b) Powerful Presence of the Lord