

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

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Call to Worship

Speaker: Pastor Charles Tan

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Exodus 14:15-31

Rostered Pastor: Pastor Benjamin Quah

Message: "Thus Israel saw the great work which the LORD had done in Egypt"
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Offering

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INTRODUCTION

1. Ten Plagues had been unleashed in Egypt
2. A Question that remains
 - a) What had the Pharaoh learned?
 - b) What had Israel learned?

THE FEAR OF ISRAEL

1. This had surfaced as the Egyptian army advanced closer and closer
2. The people turned against Moses when fear sought to overwhelm
3. Moses was also in danger of doubting the LORD

THE LORD'S WORD TO MOSES

¹⁵ And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.

¹⁶ But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.

¹⁷ And I indeed will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them. So I will gain honour over Pharaoh and over all his army, his chariots, and his horsemen.

¹⁸ Then the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have gained honour for Myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen."

Exodus 14:15-18

1. God's challenge to Moses
 - a) "Why do you cry to Me?"
 - b) "Go forward"
 - c) "Lift up your rod"

d) "Stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it"

2. What God would do

a) The children of Israel

"And the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea." Exodus 14:16b

b) Pharaoh and his army

"And I indeed will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them." Exodus 14:17

THE PROTECTION OF GOD

¹⁹ And the Angel of God, who went before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud went from before them and stood behind them.

²⁰ So it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel. Thus it was a cloud and darkness *to the one*, and it gave light by night *to the other*, so that the one did not come near the other all that night.

Exodus 14:19-20

1. The Angel of God

a) He was there

b) He was the Vanguard

c) He was now the Rearguard

2. Cloud and Fire

a) Cloud and darkness to the Egyptians

b) Light by night to the children of Israel

3. The Egyptians were thus contained!

CROSSING THE RED SEA

²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry *land*, and the waters were divided.

²² So the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea on the dry *ground*, and the waters *were* a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

Exodus 14:21-22

1. Moses stretched out his hand over the sea
2. The LORD caused the sea to be divided
3. It became dry land
4. The waters became a wall on their left and right

THE PURSUIT OF THE EGYPTIANS

²³ And the Egyptians pursued and went after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

²⁴ Now it came to pass, in the morning watch, that the LORD looked down upon the army of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and cloud, and He troubled the army of the Egyptians.

²⁵ And He took off their chariot wheels, so that they drove them with difficulty; and the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the face of Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians."

²⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the waters may come back upon the Egyptians, on their chariots, and on their horsemen."

²⁷ And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. So the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

²⁸ Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, *and all* the army of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained.

Exodus 14:23-28

1. The Egyptians pursued
 - a) Chariots
 - b) Horsemen
2. The LORD troubled the Egyptian forces

- a) The chariot wheels were affected
- b) The sea waters returned to its full depth
- c) The Egyptians cried out

“Let us flee from the face of Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians.” Exodus 14:25b

VITAL LESSONS LEARNED

²⁹ But the children of Israel had walked on dry *land* in the midst of the sea, and the waters *were* a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

³⁰ So the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.

³¹ Thus Israel saw the great work which the LORD had done in Egypt; so the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD and His servant Moses.

Exodus 14:29-31

1. The LORD saved Israel that day
2. Thus Israel saw the great work of the LORD
3. The people feared the LORD
4. And believed the LORD
5. There was a new-found respect for Moses as the LORD's servant