

# **The Birth of the Covenant Nation**

**No God Like YHWH**

**Lesson 8**

**Exodus 15-16**

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# EXODUS

Exodus · the Beginning of the Great Nation

1446-1406 BC

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

**history**

**worship**

In  
bondage  
in  
Egypt

The  
contest  
with  
Pharaoh

The  
exodus  
from  
Egypt

Early  
days  
of  
travel

The  
institution  
of  
the Law

The  
tabernacle  
revealed

The  
gold  
calf

The  
tabernacle  
constructed

YAHWEH · the Savior

1:1

YAHWEH · the Jealous God

13:17

YAHWEH · the Glorious Presence

24:12

Egypt · 430 years

1:1

the  
wilderness  
2 mos.

15:22

Mt. Sinai · 10 months

19:1

# No God Like YHWH (15-16)

- ▶ The Song of Moses (15:1-21)
- ▶ The Journey Begins (15:1-16:36)
  - Water Provided (15:22-27)
  - Manna and Meat Provided (16:1-21)
  - The Sabbath Instituted (16:22-36)

# The Song of Moses (15:1-21)

- ▶ The place of the Song of Moses – Lessons from the Exodus
  - Divine revelation
  - Testimony of Moses
  - Instruction for the nation . . . and for all time and all people
- ▶ A celebration of the destruction of the Egyptian army
- ▶ A celebration of YHWH - the God who saves (15:1, 21)
- ▶ Outline
  - Praise YHWH for destroying the Egyptian army (15:1-5)
  - The power of YHWH in judgment (15:6-11)
  - The power of YHWH in salvation (15:12-13)
  - Praise YHWH for saving His people (15:14-21)

# YHWH is a Warrior (15:1-5)

- ▶ YHWH'S plan for the nation Israil
  - Ex 2:24 – The Promise remembered
  - Ex 3:6-8 – Deliver and return to the Promised Land
  - Ex 3:19-22 – Strike Egypt with “all My miracles”
  - Ex 6:1-8 – Reveal Himself through the Exodus
- ▶ Moses extols YHWH (15:1-3)
  - My strength, My song, My salvation, My God,
  - A warrior named YHWH
- ▶ The occasion: the destruction of the Egyptian army (15:4-5)

# The Majestic Power of YHWH (15:6-11)

- ▶ Absolute power over His enemies
  - Against those who rise up against Him
  - Burning anger – total destruction
  - The breath of YHWH
  - Water piles up . . . like a heap
- ▶ The arrogance of His enemies against “them” (Israel)
- ▶ “They sank like lead in the mighty waters.”
- ▶ None like YHWH
  - Majestic in holiness
  - Awesome in praises
  - Working wonders

# The Lovingkindness of YHWH (15:12-13)

- ▶ Two sides to the story looking forward
  - The destruction of the wicked
  - The blessing of the people of His Promise
- ▶ YHWH'S power to deliver foreshadows His power to finish
  - Lovingkindness – the basis for Promise
  - Redemption – the qualification for the Promise
- ▶ Guided by His strength – the guarantee of the Promise
- ▶ To His holy habitation – the fulfillment of the Promise

# YHWH is the Eternal King (15:14-21)

- ▶ The reaction of the inhabitants of Canaan
- ▶ YHWH will bring them in and establish them
- ▶ The mountain of YHWH'S inheritance
- ▶ The place of YHWH'S dwelling
- ▶ The sanctuary made by the Lord
- ▶ The eternal kingdom of YHWH
- ▶ The lesson of the crossing of the Red Sea (15:19)
  - The power displayed guarantees the final end
- ▶ Miriam calls and leads the people to praise YHWH

# The Journey Begins (15:22-16:36)

- ▶ Mara (15:22-27)
  - Led by YHWH (13:20-22)
  - No water for 3 days, then bitter water
  - The people grumbled to Moses – Moses cried out to YHWH
  - YHWH sweetened the water (Psalm 106:6-15)
  - A statute, a regulation and a test (Gen 22:1, 12; Ex 20:20)
  - Heeding the voice of YHWH (5:2; Jer 7:22-26, 28)
  - The purpose of the Promise to Abraham (Gen 18:18)
  - The heart of the matter – the need for a new heart

# The Journey Begins (15:22-16:36)

- ▶ The Wilderness of Sin (16:1-21)
  - 6 weeks, and no Song in their heart
  - Grumbling against Moses and Aaron
  - YHWH answers a test with a test (Deut 8:2-3, 5-6)
  - Bread, meat, and the glory of YHWH
  - The test – obedience to the voice of YHWH
  - “What *is* it?” in the morning and quail in the evening
  - “They did not listen to Moses.”

# The Journey Begins (15:22-16:36)

- ▶ Sabbath (16:22-36)
  - The leaders came and told Moses on the 6<sup>th</sup> day
  - YHWH'S explanation: a Holy Sabbath to YHWH
    - Manna preserved for the Sabbath
    - Each remain in their place on the Sabbath
  - The jar of manna before the testimony
  - Manna supplied for 40 years

# No God Like YHWH

- ▶ The revelation of God the Savior (YHWH) in real time
- ▶ The absolute and comprehensive reign of God the Savior
- ▶ Proving and improving our Faith
- ▶ The hope of the holy habitation of Christ on the earth
- ▶ Proverbs 3:5-6 – “Trust in the LORD with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”