

Moses: An Example of God's Workmanship!
Caught Between An Army & A Wet Place:
Lessons About Life We All Need To Learn!

—Exodus 13:17–15:21 with other supporting passages

The CENTRAL EMPHASIS From Today's Study:

Following God's LEADING through LIFE
requires us to LOOK for His guidance;
LISTEN to His instructions;
& LEARN the LESSONS He provides!

- Proverbs 3:5–8 reveals one of the most valuable truths of all time
- 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and don't depend (lean) on your own personal perspective.
- 6 Acknowledge Him (and accept His authority) in all your ways,
and He will make your paths straight (guide you to the right path).
- 7 Don't be wise in your own estimation;
respect the Lord with reverence and turn away from evil.
- 8 This will bring healing to your body
and refreshment to your bones (inner self).

—Four Questions To Prepare Our Minds

- Have you ever been wedged into a tight spot where you felt trapped and didn't know how to proceed?
- How do you respond or react when you feel cornered and deep down inside you want to run, but you can't?
- Have you ever wondered why it seemed as if God was leading you in a direction where you weren't comfortable or didn't feel safe?
- How willing and receptive are we to learning the lessons God's Word teaches us?

—) Clarifying the Context we should RECOGNIZE & REMEMBER:

- 1—Exodus 6:1–8 God's PLANS & PURPOSES for the Israelites
- 2—Exodus 7:1–6 God's PLANS & PURPOSES for Pharaoh & Egypt
- 3—Exodus 12:28–41 God's PLAGUES culminated with Passover
- 4—Exodus 13:1–16 The POWERFUL hand of the Lord!!!!!!!

—) Clarifying the Content of Exodus 13:17–15:27:

- 1— FREEDOM FROM SLAVERY: God's faithfulness!
{13:17–20}
- 2— FOLLOWING GOD'S LEADING: A pillar of clouds by day
{13:21–22} & a pillar of fire by night
- 3— FORCING PHARAOH'S HAND: Reversing the route!
{14:1–9}
- 4— FRIGHTENED & FILLED WITH FEAR: Is it better to die here
{14:10–12} than in Egypt?
- 5— FAITH IN THE LORD: He will FIGHT for you! Watch & see the
{14:13–14} salvation of the Lord. For after today,
you will never see the Egyptians again!
- 6— FORWARD! The Lord told Moses tell the people to move & to
{14:15–20} lift his staff and stretch his hand to divide the sea.
“As for Me, watch & see, I will harden the hearts
of the Egyptians so that they will go into the sea
after you. I will be honored & they will know that
I AM THE LORD!” Then the Angel of God both
guided & guarded the Israelites!
- 7— FLAT, DRY LAND: Moses stretched his hand over the sea & it
{14:21–25} divided, giving flat, dry land for the people
to move safely through. It was like a wall on
each side of them. The Egyptians pursued
after them, but the Lord caused confusion
with swerving wheels. They realized that the
Lord was fighting for Israel.

—8— **FRUITLESS & FUTILE FLEEING:** The Lord told Moses to stretch out his hand over the waters & the Egyptians fled into the sea. {14:26–28}

—9— **FEAR OF THE LORD:** When the children of Israel saw how they walked on dry land & Lord had rescued them from the hand of the Egyptians, who were dead on the seashore, they **FEARED** the Lord & **TRUSTED** Him! {14:29–31}

—10— **FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE:** Moses & the children of Israel worshipped the Lord with a song of praise. Their song remembered what the Lord had done & recognized that this victory sent a message to the people in Canaan that Israel was on the move! {15:1–21}

—CONCLUDING COMMENTS & PRACTICAL LESSONS TO APPLY:

—1} Being a **FAITHFUL FOLLOWER** of the Lord involves **MORE** than simply believing in Him.

Following God’s _____ throughout _____ requires us to:

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_____ !

—2} _____ the Lord involves:

_____; &
_____ !

—3} A _____ typically involves or results in:
_____ toward God/God’s Word;
_____ behavior; and/or
_____ views of danger & judgment.

—4} Anyone (**BOTH BELIEVERS AND NON-BELIEVERS**) can _____ a hardened heart!
When our _____,
_____, or thoughts that _____ God,
our hearts can become _____ !

—5} God will _____ lead us to a _____ where He can’t:

_____; —or—
_____ !

—6} God is _____ when we _____
& _____ !