

Exodus Lesson 20 - Song of Moses

Revelation 14:3 ... no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

I Corinthians 10:6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

After Passover and the Red Sea Experience, the Children of Israel now have a song. They had no song before, they could not even say, "Praise the Lord". Now after the Passover, (redemption), Unleavened bread, (sanctification - in Egypt and out), and deliverance through their first trial by learning the "Walk of Faith"), they now have a song. What kind of song do they have? Well, it was a "Song of Redemption", a type of God's people today. We have the same experience today after we are delivered out of the bondage of the world (Egypt type of the world):

Galatians 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

Galatians 4:4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

Galatians 4:5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.



Now we have a song. Only the redeemed have a song. While it is true that we are only redeemed and can be victorious because of Christ's work, not everyone that starts out makes it through, and that is not Christ's doing. Notice that God said in Exodus 6 that:

Exodus 6:6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:

Exodus 6:7 And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

Exodus 6:8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am the LORD.

Notice that God said: "I will" bring you out of bondage unto the land. But not everyone went into the Promised Land. As a Nation they did, but many of the people that heard that promise died in the wilderness, and never entered into the rest of the Lord because of unbelief. The walk of faith is crucial, because without faith we cannot please God.

Now we have a song, and we can lose it just as many of the children of Israel did in the desert. But we do not have to lose it. God is pleading with us today just as He pleaded to Israel in that day.

I. The Song of Redemption

Exodus 15:1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

Exodus 15:2 The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.

Exodus 15:3 The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name.

Exodus 15:4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

Exodus 15:5 The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone.

Exodus 15:6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

Exodus 15:7 And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble.

Exodus 15:8 And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

Exodus 15:9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

Exodus 15:10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

Exodus 15:11 Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?

Exodus 15:12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

Exodus 15:13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.

Exodus 15:14 The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

Exodus 15:15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

Exodus 15:16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, which thou hast purchased.

Exodus 15:17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O LORD, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.

Exodus 15:18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.

Exodus 15:19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.

Exodus 15:20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

Exodus 15:21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.



II. The Importance of the Song Exodus 15:1 - the first mention of singing

- A. Song and music becomes very important to the nation of Israel
- B. The longest book in the Bible is a Hebrew song book
- C. Should be an important part in the church (5:9-10).

Ephesians 5:18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;
Ephesians 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Colossians 3:17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

Revelation 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Revelation 5:10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

- D. Only the redeemed have a song - Deliverance brings a song:
 - 1. Song of Deborah and Barak

Judges 4: The children of Israel are in slavery under Jabin, King of Canaan, and his captain Sisera. God raised up two judges, Deborah and Barak

Judges 4:22 And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her tent, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nail was in his temples.

Judges 4:23 So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel.

Judges 4:24 And the hand of the children of Israel prospered, and prevailed against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

Judges 5:1 Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,

Judges 5:2 Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves.

Judges 5:3 Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, even I, will sing unto the LORD; **I will sing praise to the LORD God of Israel.**

Judges 5:4 LORD, when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the heavens dropped, the clouds also dropped water.

Judges 5:5 The mountains melted from before the LORD, even that Sinai from before the LORD God of Israel.

- 2. Isaiah 53: Prophecy of the Lord Jesus Christ 700 years before He was born - Great Redemption

Isaiah 54:1 **Sing, O barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child: for more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.**

Isaiah 54:2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;

Isaiah 54:3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

3. During the Tribulation, A great deliverance:

Revelation 4:1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, **Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.**

Revelation 4:2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

Revelation 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, **having every one of them harps**, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

Revelation 5:9 **And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood** out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Revelation 5:10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 7, the 144,000 witnesses are first mentioned on earth- 2nd mention in chapter 14

Revelation 14:1 **And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion**, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

Revelation 14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard **the voice of harpers harping with their harps:**

Revelation 14:3 **And they sung as it were a new song before the throne**, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

III. The Details of the Song

A. It's important to understand what is happening and who's allowed to sing.

1. There is no song without deliverance, no rejoicing or dancing without redemption
2. Only deliverance brings a song (Judges 4-5, Isaiah 53-54:1, Revelation 4:1-5:9-10, 14:1-3).
3. All we heard from Israel before deliverance were sighs, cries, and groans (Exodus 2:23-24).

(v. 1) Verse one tells you who this song was sang to: the LORD (Ephesians 5:19).

(v. 2) Verse two tells you who this song is primarily about: the LORD.

- A. The Lord Jesus Christ is our strength (Ephesians 6:10),
- B. Our salvation (I Corinthians 1:30),
- C. And our God (John 20:28).
- D. He must also to be our song**

(v.1-2) We must observe that the nation sings this song as a unit ("I").

- A. To Whom are they singing - Unto the Lord - The Lord is our song today
- B. The habitation may have reference to the Promised Land and the Tabernacle (v. 13), **Psalm 22:3** **But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.**
- C. If we want to build Him an habitation, Praise His name - We are the habitation of God

(v. 3) A revelation of God's character that is found all through the Scriptures.

A. He has armies -

B. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. Revelation 19:14

D. He has soldiers - Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

E. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

II Timothy 2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

II Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

II Timothy 2:3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

II Timothy 2:4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

II Timothy 2:5 And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.

F. The soldiers have armor - Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Ephesians 6:11

G. He has a Captain -

Joshua 5:13 And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?

Joshua 5:14 And he said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant?

Joshua 5:15 And the captain of the LORD'S host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so.

H. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. Hebrews 2:10

(v. 9) The "I will" of the enemy in verse 9 is reminiscent of our adversary the devil in Isaiah 14:12-15 (Ezekiel 29:3).

- But the enemies "I will's" are no match for the Lord's (6:6-8).

(v. 10) The Lord is magnified in verse 8 – the breath of his nostrils is a blast.

- But the smallness of the enemy is emphasized in verse 10 – the Lord needs simply to blow and the enemy is destroyed.

(v. 13) Like ours, Israel's Victory is based upon the Lord's strength and our obedience to Word of God.

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

(v. 16) Exactly what happened later in Jericho (Joshua 2:9-10),

- Then among the Gibeonites (9:9), and again among the Philistines (1 Sam 4:8).

(v. 16) The word “redeemed” is used in verse thirteen, and it is defined as “purchased” in verse sixteen (cf. Ephesians 1:14).

➤ The word is also defined as “ransomed” in Hosea 13:14 and Jeremiah 31:11.

(v. 20) This is also the first place dancing is mentioned and you’ll notice that it is done in praise to the Lord, there’s nothing sensual about it, and it is segregated.

A. What happens at the end of this chapter is the wilderness experience of the children of Israel.

B. That wilderness journey is framed by two songs.

1. The first is the Song of Redemption, found here, sang by the nation after their departure from Egypt.
2. The second is the Song of Moses found in Deuteronomy 33 (Deuteronomy 32:44), taught to the nation by Moses before they went in to the Promised Land.
3. Both songs contain a tremendous amount of prophetic material.
4. This is illustrated by the company that is singing in Revelation 15, because they have experienced a future exodus from bondage and obtained a future deliverance from an enemy king and they’re singing a combination of these songs – a song of redemption and a song of Moses.

Hebrews 10, 11, 12

John 11-12

I Peter 1

False doctrine will use I Peter 1:5 and pull out of context