

THE EXODUS – “HELLO, I AM GOD!!”

The GREATEST personalized revelation of God in the Old Testament happened in a series of events related to the Exodus.

After the deathblow of the firstborn throughout the land of Egypt, Pharaoh did finally let the Hebrews go. The people willingly gave them their treasures and they left. But, they hadn't gone very far and Pharaoh changed his mind and began to pursue them. It looked like he had them helplessly pinned up against the Red Sea. The Exodus proper is recorded in Exodus 12:31-15:21.

Exodus 14:13–14 (NKJV)

13 And Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the **salvation of the LORD**, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever.

14 **The LORD will fight for you**, and you shall hold your peace.”

The LORD then parted the Red Sea and allowed the children of Israel to pass through on dry ground. But when Pharaoh's troops pursued, God brought the waters back on them and they all drowned.

Then the people sang the LORD's praises in what is known as the Song of Moses (cf. Rev. 15:2-3).

Exodus 15:1–2 (NKJV)

1 Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this **song to the Lord**, and spoke, saying: “**I will sing to the Lord, For He has triumphed gloriously!** The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!

2 **The Lord is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation**; He is my God, and I will praise Him; **My father's God, and I will exalt Him.**

Exodus 15:11 (NKJV)

11 “**Who is like You, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like You**, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders?”

Exodus 15:18 (NKJV)

18 “**The Lord shall reign forever and ever.**”

Who is like YHWH? He is incomparable. He is without equal. He is unique in wonder-working power (cf. 8:10, 9:14, Ps. 35:10, 71:19, 77:13, 89:6, 113:5, Mic. 7:18). What other god ever did such a thing as this in the history

of the world? There is NONE! God controls nature. He is sovereign over everything and everyone.

YHWH will reign forever and ever!

Certainly, this is true at all times in regard to His sovereignty, but it also applies to the Promised Land in regard to a coming Kingdom which then will merge into the eternal state. YHWH, the eternal God of Israel, will reign forever! What happened at the Red Sea is ever a reminder of this reality! It was a forerunner of things to come. Indeed, YHWH the LORD shall reign forever and ever!

The Exodus is said to be the most important event in Israel's history, as found in the OT. It was through this event that the God of Israel became famous throughout the world.

Exodus 9:16 (NKJV)

16 But indeed for this purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth.

Romans 9:17 (NKJV)

17 For the Scripture says to the Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth."

As a result of the Exodus, Israel was born a nation. But, these people were saved to worship and serve God. They were saved to be a testimony to the One True God. God at that time also established the tabernacle in the midst of Israel as a worship center and the priesthood was given to aid them. Also, the Law of Moses was given to them as a constitution in terms of how they should now live before their God (cf. Deut. 4:7-8, Rom. 9:4-5).

God as seen in Exodus!

A God of ***Covenant-Relationship*** (The God of Israel)

An ***all-powerful*** God

A God of ***Deliverance***

A ***Holy*** God

God worked the way He did in the Exodus and the accompanying miracles so that He might be famous throughout the world as the One true God – the God of Israel. The Revelation of the Exodus is only eclipsed by the New Testament revelation of Jesus Christ. And the BEST IS YET TO BE!

Revelation 1:1 (NKJV)

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. ...

Revelation 1:7–8 (NKJV)

7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”