

Life Lessons at the Red Sea

Exodus- Part 8 Exodus 12:31-32 & Chapter 14
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1. 3 Ways to Relate to God

Pharaoh: *"Who is the LORD, that I should obey him? (Ex.5:2)*

Although Pharaoh wavers in his responses to Moses, at the end of the day, despite all that he has witnessed, he refuses to obey anything other than his own impulses.

Israelites: *"Moses, have you taken us away to die in the desert?" (Ex.14:12)*

There is a difference between **knowing** God and **trusting** him!
"Pharaoh's final response to the departure of the Israelites reveals that he still has not grasped and accepted the Lord's true identity. ***Ironically, the Israelites also appear to have only a partial understanding of God.***" -Teach the Text, EXODUS - T.D. Alexander pg. 67

Moses: *"Do not fear! Stand firm and see the salvation of the Lord... The Lord will fight for you, and you can be still." (Ex.14:13-14)*

Moses is a changed man from when we met him at the burning bush. Not only has seen God face to face, But his maturity (TRUST) has come through listening to God and following him.

"being baptized... the Christian is giving expression to the fact that he or she, in Christ, is leaving behind an old way of life... In other words, Christian baptism is the process whereby we undergo our own exodus. This, perhaps, is Paul's point about Israel's passage through the sea. That too, was a kind of baptism, where God's people left an old way of life and began another." NIV App. Commentary - Exodus, Peter Enns. Page 287

2. God is Committed to our Maturity

We shouldn't be surprised that God cares more about our character than our comfort.

The reality is we tend to grow more through trials than ease. God's desire is for us to experience the peace and confidence that comes only from trusting him and following him.



Community Group Questions:

1. What did you hear? What hit home from the message? How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?
2. What season of life has produced the most growth in your life? What were the circumstances? In what ways did God change you?
3. Although we didn't cover it in the message today, in the actual crossing of the Sea, what do themes like: *Salvation, Miracles, The destruction of Pharaoh's army*; teach us or raise questions about God and life?

Homework:

This week, ask God not for an easy life, but for his spirit to teach you to trust him more.

Notes:
