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## God's Power Revealed at the Red Sea

### Chapter

Exodus 13:20–14:31

#### Today's Lesson:



1. To understand that you can face greater difficulties even after obeying God.
2. To understand that Christ rescues those that trust in Him from all sufferings.

#### Open Your Heart



While living the faith life, one of the greatest mysteries that we experience is that even though we obey God, we are met with greater difficulties. Obedience to God doesn't always result in everything going well. On the contrary, there are many instances where I would have been able to avoid criticism, betrayal, isolation, despair, and other many problems if I had not followed God's will. Does this mean that it was wrong to obey God's will?

Please write down if there were any experiences you had where you obeyed God but it led to great difficulties and you got angry at or complained to Him. Also write what you learned from those experiences.



## Understanding Today's Lesson

The Israelites, who were enslaved in Egypt for 400 years, were able to leave Egypt and head towards Canaan through God's help. However, God did not lead them to the fastest route, but He led them to the Red Sea. Meanwhile, Pharaoh hardened his heart and pursued the Israelites with his chariot. In the end, the army of Pharaoh was behind them and the Red Sea was in front of them. When they were in this isolated situation where they could do nothing, they regretted leaving Egypt and complained against Moses and God.

Even in this desperate situation, Moses trusted and asked for God's help. With that, God placed a pillar of cloud between the Israelites and the Egyptian army so that the Egyptian army could not approach the Israelites. God, then, told Moses to stretch out his hand towards the sea.

As soon as Moses obeyed God's words, the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land. The Israelites crossed over the Red Sea on dry land. The Egyptian army started to follow the Israelites, but God made the waters return and swept Pharaoh's chariots and army so that none of them remained. After seeing God's great power, the Israelites, who complained against Moses and God, finally feared God and trusted in Moses. At times, God leads us to desperate situations where we lose all hope, but shows us His strength and salvation so that we can trust and fear Him more.

Notes:



## Memorizing Bible Verses

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,  
(1 Peter 1:6-7)



Meditate

## On These Verses

1. After you have meditated on the following verses, give a title of the verse or write a short summary of the verse. Also, write down things you have felt about the verse, or other verses that it has reminded you of.

(Isaiah 30:18–21)

(2 Corinthians 1:8–10)

(Galatians 1:4–5)



Changing

## Directions

Read today's main passage (Exodus 13:20–14:31) and answer the following questions:

1. Read 13:21–22 and summarize how God led the Israelites out of Egypt.

2. Even in the midst of these situations, God allowed Pharaoh to follow after the Israelites. Read 14:4 and find the reason why.

3. What conclusion did the Israelites come to while seeing the Egyptian army pursuing them?

4. In this situation, God saved the Israelites by splitting the Red Sea. What can I learn from this?

5. Put a checkmark next to the following statements that you agree with.

- ① If I obey God, things work out better than when I disobey God. ( )
- ② Even though I follow God, life isn't always easy. ( )
- ③ Even though the situation gets worse after I obey, God's promises will always be fulfilled. ( )
- ④ The important thing is obedience, not what comes afterwards. ( )



Applying

## The Word to My Life

For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.  
(James 2:26)

1. Please write down how you will apply what you learned today throughout this week.

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2.)

3.)

2. Look back and reflect on how successful you were at applying last week's lesson.



Praying

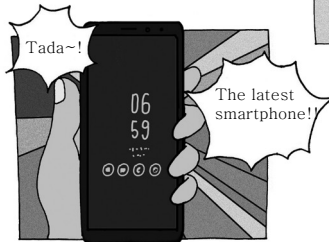
## To Live According to the Word

I confess to the Lord and ask for forgiveness for the times that I regretted my decision to follow Him or got angry with that decision. Also, I ask that I can entrust my past, present, and future into the caring hands of the Lord. Lastly, I will make a determination to always follow the Lord's guidance regardless of any situation.



# Our Story

## If There is No Spiritual Contentment



When it comes to fleshly things, if they don't fill you up at that moment, there is no contentment. However, if you have spiritual contentment, even though you may lack physical things, you can be content.

**All things are full of labor; Man cannot express it. The eye is not satisfied with seeing, Nor the ear filled with hearing. (Ecclesiastes 1:8)**

## Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

A young man was sitting on the bench in a park, reading an article about the Israelites crossing the Red Sea. Being touched, he shouted out, "Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! He worked a great miracle! Hallelujah!" At that exact time, a famous theologian, who was walking past that place, stopped and asked the young man why he was so excited. Then, the young man answered,

"There was no way that I could not shout, 'Hallelujah! He worked a great miracle!' while reading an article about God splitting the Red Sea and leading the Israelites across the dry ground."

"But, young man, did you not know that the Red Sea wasn't a sea at all? The Red Sea was only a couple inches deep after all."

With this counter-evidence, the theologian confused the young Christian and made him fall in despair, and he continued on walking. However, not going too far, he heard another, "Hallelujah," behind him. The puzzled theologian turned around and asked, "What now?"

"Teacher, I just read the part where God makes the entire Egyptian army drown in a couple inches of water. What an amazing miracle this is! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!"





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