



MIGHTY MEN

Mid-Week Bible Study – Living Life in 3D Week Eight: Stop. Stand. See.

I. Led by God

- After 400 yrs of captivity – The Hebrew people had been “Egyptianized”
 - They had been worshiping Egyptian gods
 - Yahweh had just defeated those gods
- God was going to introduce Himself
“*That you may know that I am the Lord.*”

A. God-directed - 13:18

- “God led the people...to the Red Sea.”
 - They were led by God
 - This was no accident
 - God was going to reveal Himself through their experiences
- Bad directions?
 - God had them wandering - vs 3
 - They were back-tracking
 - They appeared lost and confused - God’s plan

B. Controlled by circumstances

1. “*Now the Israelites were going out defiantly*” - vs 8
defiantly - “with a high hand” - cocky, boldly, with confidence
2. “*They were terrified!*” - vs 10
They feared greatly
 - a change in circumstances had changed their attitude
3. “*What in the world have you done to us?*” - vs 11
 - They cried out to God. WHY?
 - They complained to Moses
 - They questioned his leadership & therefore God’s

II. Words of wisdom

- Moses gives them 3 steps to follow...

A. STOP fearing!

- He didn't say DON'T fear
- Fear is a natural reaction
- He is saying cease fearing
- Don't let it get the best of you
- Don't let your fear lead to flight
- Don't run from your circumstances

B. STAND firm!

- Running would have brought defeat - no where to go
- Hold your ground!
- Face the enemy
- But he doesn't say "Get ready to fight!"

C. SEE the salvation of the Lord!

- Stand firm that you may see
- You can't see God working if you're running
- Grab a prime seat and watch God work!
- God was going to bring salvation - deliverance!
- He had delivered them from Egypt, now He would defeat the Egyptians

III. **The battle is the Lord's**

- God was going to provide victory
- Against all odds
- God helps the helpless - NOT those who help themselves

A. Be still!

God doesn't want to see what you can do...

He wants to show you what HE can do for you!

"The Lord will fight for you." - vs 14

- This situation called for a Savior, not self-sufficiency

IV. **The result:**

- When we STOP! STAND! and SEE! – Vs 31
- Israel saw God's power first-hand and...
 1. They feared the Lord
 2. They believed in the Lord
 - seeing His power displayed in their lives gave them a whole new respect for God
 - They believed - became convinced He could and would save them in the future



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Mid-Week Bible Study – Living Life in 3D Week Nine: “Let the Murmuring Begin!”

Do you ever complain? Do you ever complain to God about your circumstances? Well, the Israelites did. Even after He had delivered them from the hands of the Egyptians. And it didn't take them long. Chapter 15 of Exodus records this incredible song of triumph that Moses and the people sang to God. But in no time at all they went from singing praises to murmuring and complaining. This is going to be a recurring theme throughout the rest of the book. As you read this story, try to remember times in your own life where you have forgotten all that God has done and, instead, begin complaining to God about your lot in life.

Day One

Read Exodus 15:1-21. Write down some of the positive things the people had to say about God in these verses? _____

Based on all that the people have to say in this song, how would you describe their faith in God? _____

Day Two

Read Exodus 15:22-24. What do the people end up doing just three days after the miracle at the Red Sea? _____

What was the cause of their reaction? _____

How did their reaction contradict what they had just sung about in the previous passage? _____

Read Exodus 15:25-27. What did God instruct Moses to do? _____

What does verse 25 indicate was the reason God led them to this place? _____

Through this 'test', what could God have wanted to reveal in the Israelites? _____

Day Three

Read Exodus 16:1-3. What are the Israelites complaining about in these verses? _____

Without looking ahead, what would you guess God's response might be? _____

But what was His reaction according to verses 16:4-5? _____

Day Four

Read Exodus 16:6-15. What does Moses say will be the result of what is about to happen in the evening and morning? _____

What is God going to provide for them? _____

Why do you think God provided that? _____

Day Five

Read Exodus 16:16-35. Look at verse 18. What does this tell you about HOW God provided? _____

According to verse 20, what did the people do? _____

What did the people do wrong in verse 27? _____

How long did God provide this miraculous food? (vs 35) _____

What application to your life do you see in God's provision of the manna for the Israelites? _____
