

The Song of Redemption

Purpose: to encourage God's people to sing praises to God because of who He is, because of what He has done, and because of the hope that we have in Him

3 Questions:

- How many of you like to sing?
- Where do you sing?
- Why do you sing?

Let's read Exodus 15: 1 – 21. This is called The Song of Moses

Moses had a very good reason to sing:

- God had heard his prayer
- God had honoured him
- God had used him

The children of Israel also had a very good reason to sing:

- God had delivered them from bondage
- God had showed them to be His own special people
- God had destroyed their enemies
- God had led them safely through the Red Sea

Why are they singing?

- To rejoice
- To remember, when things get difficult
- To pass on to future generations

What is important about this song?

- It is the earliest of its kind in the bible
- It is referred to in the book of Revelation (Revelation 15:3)
- It is the song of their birth as a nation
- It is the song of their freedom and liberty

Three parts:

1. The exaltation of God (showing who God is) – vs. 1-3
 - a. #
2. The acts of God (why he should be praised) – vs. 3-13
 - a. Because of what He did (vs. 4-5)
 - i. He cast Pharaoh's army into the sea
 - ii. He defeated his chosen captains
 - iii. The depths covered them
 - iv. They sank to the bottom like a stone
 - b. Because of how He did it (vs. 6-10)
 - i. His right hand, which is a symbol of power (v.6)
 - ii. He was excellent (majestic – v. 7)
 - iii. He made the waters to stand up by the blast of his nostrils (v.8)

- iv. The enemy said (v.9):
 1. I will pursue
 2. I will overtake
 3. I will divide the spoil
 4. I will be satisfied
 5. I will draw my sword
 6. I will destroy them
 - v. They sank like lead (v. 10)
 - c. Because of who He is (vs. 11-13)
 - i. There is no god like Him
 1. Glorious in holiness
 2. Fearful in praises
 3. Doing wonders
 4. Stretching forth your hand and defeating them
 5. Leading and guiding His people in mercy
3. The prophetic voice of God (vs. 14 – 18)
- a. The effect on the people around them
 - i. Philistines – closest enemies of Israel
 - ii. Edom and Moab – relatives that did not follow the true God
 - iii. Canaanites – who were wicked and destined for destruction
 - b. The hope given to His people
 - i. God has an inheritance for them
 - ii. God has prepared a place for them
 - iii. God has a sanctuary for them
 - c. The end of all things, when the LORD reigns forever

So, let's start singing:

Because of who He is:

- He is my strength
- He is my salvation
- He is my God
- He is my father's God
- He is a man of war
- His name is the LORD

Because of what does:

- He will defeat our enemies
 - Even if they pursue after us
 - Even if they try to overtake us
 - Even if they try to take what is ours (spoil)
 - Even if they attack us with the sword of their mouths
 - Even if they try to destroy us

Because of what He promises to do

- God has an inheritance for us
- God has prepared a place for us
- God has a sanctuary for us

