

VIA EMMAUS:

A CHRIST-CENTERED WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE

Exodus 1-15, Salvation through Substitution & Conquest (4)

*“Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of YHWH, which he will work for you today...
YHWH will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.” (Exod 14:13,14)*

Exodus

- (1) **Exodus** (1-15)
- (2) **Covenant / Law / Instruction** (16-24)
- (3) **Temple-Building** (25-40)

YHWH and the Two Seeds :: History is defined by **Gen 3:15** and **Gen 12:1-3** (**Exod 4:23**)

- (1) God’s Commitment to Himself: YHWH does all things for the sake of his **Name**
Ezek 20:9, 14, 22, 44; 36:22, 32; Isa 48:9-11; cf. Ps 115:3; 135:6; Matt 6:9; Exod 32:11-14
- (2) God Chooses Israel: Israel’s relationship with God is purely of **Grace** and **Election**
Deut 7:6-11; 9:4-7
- (3) God Chastens the Nations: The Nations rightly receive God’s **Justice**
Deut 9:5; Gen 15:16

Exodus 1 :: **God’s People Without A Place**

- Continuity (1:1-6)
- Already / Not Yet (v. 7)
 - o The **Offspring** were multiplying
 - o The **Land** was not theirs
- Warfare (1:8-22)

Exodus 2-7 :: **YHWH’s Call and Commission to Moses**

- Moses Foreshadows Israel’s Exodus (**Exod 2:1-22; 3:11-12; 4:24-26**)
- God’s Sovereign Faithfulness – God’s ways are greater (**Exod 2:23-25, 11-15; Acts 7:25**)
- The Name of God (**Exodus 3:13ff**)

Exodus 7:1-11:10 :: **Pharaoh and the Plagues**

- Pharaoh’s heart (19x)
 - o “I will harden” (3x - 4:21; 7:3; 14:4)
 - o YHWH hardened Pharaoh’s heart (6x - 9:12; 10:1, 20, 27; 11:10; 14:8)
 - o Pharaoh’s heart was hardened (7x - 7:13, 14, 22; 8:19; 9:7, 35; 14:5)
 - o Pharaoh hardened his heart (3x - 8:15, 32; 9:34)
- God and the Human Heart
 - o God knows the human heart. (**Proverb 21:1; Jeremiah 17:9-10**)
 - o God works through means.
 - The **Holy Spirit** regenerates the heart. (**Ezek 36:26-27; John 3:1-8**)
 - The **World** ruins the human heart (**Rom 1:18ff; Ja 1:13; 1 Jn 2:15**)
 - o God’s sovereignty is absolute (**Prov 16:4; Isa 45:7; Rom 11:36; Eph 1:10-11**)
- The God of Israel versus the gods of the nations

Exodus 7-10 :: God Judges the ‘gods’ of Egypt (Exod 12:12; 18:11; Num 33:4; 2 Sam 7:23)

Cycle	Plagues	God Opposed	Significance
1	Blood (7:14-25) Frogs (8:1-15) Lice (8:16-19)	Hepi – god of the Nile; source of life Hekt – god of creation N/A – ‘the finger of God’	(1) Greatness of YHWH over Egypt’s magicians “This is the finger of God” (8:19)
2	Insects (8:20-32) Pestilence (9:1-7) Boils (9:8-12)	Kheptera – god of resurrection OR Fly-God Hathor - god of cattle; Pharaoh worshiped Im-Hotep – god healing	(2) Power of YHWH over the nations; Separation between Egypt & Israel 8:21-23 / 9:4 / 9:9
3	Hail (9:13-35) Locust (10:1-20) Darkness (10:21-29)	Nut – protector of the sky Senehem – locust-headed God Amon-Ra – sun god	(3) Uniqueness of YHWH over the nations “Who is like you, O Lord?” 15:11
Final	The Passover (11:1ff)	Pharaoh – the reigning son of god	Culmination of all the others. Salvation thru Judgment

Exodus 11:1-15:21 :: Pattern of Redemption

- (1) Final Plague
 - a. Shows the supremacy of God over Pharaoh and the gods of Egypt
 - b. Distinguishes Israel from Egypt
 - c. Identifies the uniqueness of YHWH and his people Israel
 - d. Breaks Pharaoh’s heart and frees Israel
- (2) Immediate Effects
 - a. **Judgment Enacted:** God kills ‘the Serpent’s seed’ (11:29-32; cf. 4:21-23)
 - b. **Spiritual Warfare:** God judges the gods of Egypt (12:12)
 - c. **Blessing restored:** Israel plunders the Egyptians (11:2; 12:35-36; cf. Isaiah 60)
- (3) Memorial Institutes Passover
 - a. Instructions Given (12:1-50)
 - b. Institution Established (13:1-16)
 - c. Passover indicates a greater, eternal purpose (cf. John 1:29; 1 Cor 5:9; Rev. 5:6, 12)
- (4) Pattern of Redemption :: Salvation thru Judgment
 - a. Salvation Through **Substitution** (Exodus 11:1-13:16)
 - i. God will save his people – The Word of the Lord will not fail
 - ii. The salvation of Israel foreshadows Christ’s greater salvation
 - iii. Identifies YHWH as Redeemer (6:6; 15:13)
 - b. Salvation Through **Conquest** (13:17-15:21)
 - i. God will destroy his enemies – The Word of the Lord will not fail
 - ii. The judgment on Egypt foreshadows Christ’s greater judgment
 - iii. Identifies YHWH as Warrior (15:3)
- (5) Identifies who God Is (Exodus 15:1-21)
 - a. A **Covenant-Keeping** God
 - b. A **Just** God
 - c. A **Gracious** God
 - d. A **Holy** God
 - e. A God who fights for you!!!