

Exodus 15-17 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. In Exodus 16:1-3 what did Israel do at their next stop (v1-2)? What was their complaint (v3) and what had they forgotten? How long had it been (v1) since they left Egypt?

5. Using 16:4-12 what did the Lord promise (v4) and why (v4-5)? What did Moses and Aaron tell Israel (v6-9)? What occurred (v10) and what did the LORD tell Moses (v11-12)?

6. Read 16:13-21. Describe God's miraculous provision (v13, 14-15) and His regulations concerning manna (v16, 19). How did Israel respond (v17-18, 20-21)?

7. From 16:22-30 what were the Sabbath regulations for manna (v22, 23, 25-26, 29) and how did the people react (v24, 27, 30)? How did the LORD respond to this (v28)?

8. Looking at 16:31-36 what was manna like (v31) and what did the LORD command (v32-33, 36)? Why (v33)? How did Aaron respond (v34) and what did the LORD do (v35)?

9. Read 17:1-7. What was Israel's next stop (v1), what did they face (v1), and how did they react (v2, 3)? What were they really doing (v2, 7)? How did Moses (v4), and God (v5-6) deal with this problem? Apply.

10. In 17:8-16 what else occurred at Rephidim (v8)? How did Moses deal with this (v9, 10) and what was the key to success (v11-12, 13)? What did the LORD want them to know (v14, 16) and what did Moses name the altar (v15)?

11. From Ex 16-18 summarize Israel's complaints and how Moses and God dealt with each. What does this reveal about Israel, Moses, and God? What should we learn from this?

Scripture to Remember

"The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God and I will extol Him. The Lord is a warrior, the LORD is His name."

Exodus 15:2-3 (NASV)

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Life Group Questions—Radical Resolutions, Part 2 (Genesis 37-50)

(Using questions based on today's message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)

1. Talk about some of the various ways people react to problems or difficulties when they arise. Several share what their typical reaction is.
2. Read Isaiah 53:5-6 and 1 Pet 2:24-25. What type of healing is being referred to in these passages? What do you think it mean to be healed from "sin"?
3. How would you define the "health and wealth" gospel? Why is it so appealing? Why is it such a potentially damaging teaching?
4. How would you describe the lifestyle of Jesus, the apostles, and the early church? How can we or should we try to imitate it?
5. Since we will have tribulation in the world (John 16:33) based on Paul's example is it okay to pray to escape it? What should be our mindset when we pray this way?
6. When we pray and God doesn't allow a difficulty to go away, what are some of the things we learn? How do we practically enlist these for God's glory and others' good?
7. Discuss anything else meaningful from the message if you have time.



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Another Fine Mess Introduction to Exodus 15-17



God birthed a nation through suffering to save the world.

The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God’s pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God’s family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

Oliver Hardy, of the 1930s comedy team, “Laurel and Hardy” made famous the phrase, “this is another fine mess you’ve gotten us into”. He said this when his partner, Stan Laurel, created another sticky situation for them. Similarly, the people of Israel often complained to Moses that he had gotten them into another fine mess after their deliverance from Egypt. When they entered the wilderness one problem after another seemed to occur. At first they celebrated God’s victory over Egypt. He was declared through the Song of Moses and Miriam’s refrain to be highly exalted as a mighty warrior over His enemy, Pharaoh, and worthy of praise. His power and excellence had been demonstrated as He “swallowed” up the Egyptians in the Red Sea.

Furthermore, their upcoming enemies would tremble at His power until He fulfilled His promise to plant Israel in Canaan. Amazingly, though, the people began to criticize God’s provision in the wilderness. They first encountered bitter water at Marah and grumbled that the water was unfit to drink. God promised, however, that if they would be faithful to Him He would not allow them to have the diseases of the Egyptians. He then led them to Elam where there were twelve springs of water and a grove of seventy date palms. Next, they grumbled because there wasn’t any meat to eat or a regular food supply. God told Moses He would show His glory by sending them meat in the evening and bread the next morning. So He did; that evening quails covered the camp and the

next morning manna appeared as the dew melted. This became their daily food for forty years. Finally, at Rephidim God provided water again for them when they grumbled, and then they combated God’s enemy, Amalek. As Moses, helped by Aaron and Hur, held his hand up the Lord prevailed through Joshua and Israel’s armies. Israel would continue to fight Amalek for years to come until his name was erased from the earth. Although Israel had accused God of one “fine mess” after another He had faithfully delivered them.

Daily Study Questions for Exodus 15-17

(For answers to questions attend an ABF or go to www.celebrationnet.com, small groups, abf)

<p>1. Read Exodus 15:1-10, 19-21. List the things for which Moses and Miriam praised the LORD (v1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 20-21). What had He done (v1, 4-5, 8, 9-10, 19)? What can we learn from this?</p>	
<p>2. From 15:11-18 how else is God unique (v11, 12, 13, 18) and how will this affect His enemies (14-16)? What else does God promise and why (v17)?</p>	
<p>3. Using 15:22-27 what was Israel’s first “problem” in the wilderness (v22-23) and how did they react (v24)? What did Moses do (v25) and how did God deal with this (v25-26, 27)? Apply.</p>	

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