

THE CROSSING – EXODUS 14 (PART 2)

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EXODUS REVIEW: 4 THEMES

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1. Liberation

2. Law

3. Covenant

4. Presence



FROM PREPARATION TO ACTUALIZATION

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1. The journey to freedom began in 12:37-39 however freedom has not yet been realized.
2. Pharoah made one last ditch effort to prevent the people from leaving – the enemy will always make efforts to keep freedom as an idea and not a reality.



THE CROSSING

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1. The pursuit by Pharaoh was an ***intentionally ordained occurrence*** in the life of God's people. Reminder that sometimes God will make our "next move" difficult because God desires glory out of the happenings of our lives (vs.1-4).
 2. The presence of the Egyptian army (***representative of the past***) forced the people to confront their own fears, reservations and frightened preference (vs. 10-12).



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THE CROSSING (CONT.)

3. The idea of returning to bondage was more appealing than confronting the presence of an escaped past (vs. 12)



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THE CROSSING: FACING YOUR HURDLE

1. The people were instructed to "***calm themselves down***" - Hysteria is the greatest threat to your breakthrough!! (vs. 13-14)
2. The promise was that the pursuit of the enemy had an expiration date in their lives – ***the enemy could only pursue them up to a certain point and no further*** (vs. 13-14)



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FACING YOUR HURDLE (CONT.)

3. God led them to an even more impossible path to freedom to show them that ***nothing could stand in the way*** of God's absolute power (vs. 15-18)

4. The movement of God's "presence" indicates the workings of God in our situations that ***will allow us space*** between our enemies (vs. 19-20)



THE CROSSING: FACING YOUR HURDLE (VS.21-32)

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1. The people moved at night - a reminder that when the "***iron strikes, you've got to be ready***" (vs.21-24) - God doesn't always provide us with perfect situations but ***God's timing is always perfect!!***

2. God will sometimes provide you ***an escape route that defies all logic*** so don't over-analyze the moment. Keep moving until the thing that pursued you is no longer in sight.

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FACING YOUR HURDLE (VS 21-32)

3. Your hurdle is a ***faith-building*** opportunity – God gains and grows our faith in the face of impossible situations (vs.31)



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CLOSING PRAYER

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Gracious God, we are so grateful that You continue working on our behalf. Give us the **courage** needed to move when You instruct us to. Give us the **strength** to keep moving when the odds seems stacked against us. Give us the **peace** to move when things become more difficult and give us the **grace** to move when our paths are not understood. In Jesus name, Amen.

Let's
Pray!