




The Wilderness Way

EXODUS 14 Now the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ²“Speak to the children of Israel, that they turn and camp before Pi Hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, opposite Baal Zephon; you shall camp before it **by the sea**. ³For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, ‘They *are* bewildered by the land; the wilderness has closed them in.’




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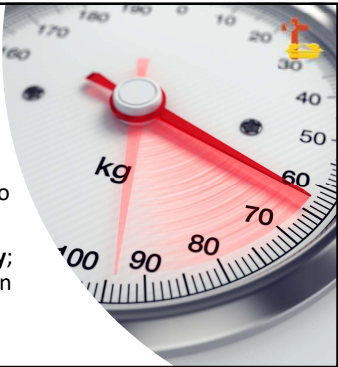
1Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is **common to man**; but **God is faithful**, who will not allow you to be tempted **beyond what you are able**, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.



Matthew 25:15

And to one he gave **5** talents, to another **2**, and to another **1**, to each **according to his own ability**; and immediately he went on a journey.



Isaiah 30:15-16

¹⁵ For thus says the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: "In **returning** and **rest** you shall be saved; In **quietness** and **confidence** shall be your strength." But you would not, ¹⁶ And you said, "No, for we will flee on horses" — Therefore you shall flee! And, "We will ride on swift horses" — Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift!



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Isaiah 55:8-9

8 “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord. 9 “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.



Matthew 20:21-22

21 And He said to her, “What do you wish?” She said to Him, “Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom.” 22 But Jesus answered and said, “**You do not know what you ask.**”



THE 1st COMPLAIN!

EXODUS 14 ¹¹ Then they said to Moses, “Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you so dealt with us, to bring us up out of Egypt? ¹² *Is* this not the word that we told you in Egypt, saying, ‘Let us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For *it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians* than that we should die in the wilderness.”



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Exodus 14:13-14

¹³ And Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever.
¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace.”




Exodus 14:24-25

²⁴ Now it came to pass, in the morning watch, that the LORD looked down upon the army of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and cloud, and **He troubled the army of the Egyptians.** ²⁵ And **He took off their chariot wheels**, so that they drove them with difficulty; and the Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the face of Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians.”



THE BLESSING!

EXODUS 14
³¹ Thus Israel **saw the great work** which the LORD had done in Egypt; so the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD and His servant Moses.





CONCLUSION

God's way may not be the fastest. **God's way** may look going around. But **God's way** is the best way to live in the greatness of God.

