

Exodus 13:17-18, 20-22

When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them on the road through the Philistine country, though that was shorter. For God said, "If they face war, they might change their minds and return to Egypt." ¹⁸So God led the people around by the desert road toward the Red Sea. The Israelites went up out of Egypt armed for battle.

²⁰After leaving Succoth they camped at Etham on the edge of the desert.

²¹By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so that they could travel by day or night. ²²Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.

Exodus 14:1-31

I. Help for the Hemmed In

1. Don't _____.
2. _____ still.

Psalm 46:10

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

3. Watch God _____ for you.
4. Quit _____.

II. Lessons Learned from the Cul-de-sac

Romans 15:4

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

1. It takes _____ to break lifetime habits.

In a predicament _____ dies.

We should never choose the comfort of _____ over the fear of _____.

3. When you are hemmed in, the only place to look is _____.

Psalm 121:1-2

I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? ²My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

3. God wants you to put your _____ behind you once and for all.

Psalm 103:12

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Your past can be covered in the sea of _____.

4. If the Lord is to get the glory, He must do the _____.

Exodus 15:3

The LORD is a warrior; the LORD is his name.

2 Chronicles 20:17

You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the LORD will give you, O Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the LORD will be with you."

It is amazing what God can do _____ you.

When I panic I run.
When I run I lose.
When I lose God waits.
When I wait he fights.
When He fights He wins, and when He wins I learn.
-Charles Swindoll

5. Remember you are a _____.

God is our _____ and our _____.

Psalm 77:19

Your path led through the sea, your way through the mighty waters, though your footprints were not seen. (NIV)

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