LESSON 30

- 1. Although God had sent nine terrible plagues to Pharaoh and the Egyptians, did Pharaoh let the Israelites go?
 -No.
- 2. What was to be the last plague that God would send?
- -The plague which would kill all of the Egyptians' firstborn children and cattle.
- 3. What did God command every husband of every Israelite family to do so that their firstborn would not die?

 -To choose a one-year-old male lamb or goat.
- 4. What type of lamb or goat did God command the Israelites to choose so that their firstborn would not die? -One without defect.
- 5. Why did God command that the one-year-old male lamb or goat be without defect?
- -Because God is perfect.
- -Because everything that God says is perfect.
- -Because everything that God does is perfect.
- 6. On the fourteenth day of the month, what did God command the Israelites to do with the lamb?
- -God commanded that the lamb must be killed.
- -God commanded that the lamb must die.

- 7. Why did God command that the lamb must die?
- -This was to teach the Israelites that God's punishment for sin is death.
- 8. What did God command the Israelites to do with the blood of the lamb?
- -To catch the blood of the lamb in a bowl.
- 9. What did God command the Israelites to do with the blood of the lamb?
- -God commanded the Israelites to put the blood on the top and on both sides of the door of the house where they would be eating the meat of the lamb that night.
- 10. Why did God command the Israelites to stay inside the house with the blood on the outside?
- -The blood on the outside was to cover the Israelites on the inside.
- 11. Will God allow us to save ourselves in our own way? -No.
- 12. Whose path is the only path that will save us? -God's path.
- 13. Did God kill all of the firstborn of the Egyptians as He said?
- -Yes.

- 14. After Pharaoh's firstborn and all of the Egyptians' firstborn died, what did Pharaoh do?
- -Pharaoh let the Israelites go.
- 15. Can Pharaoh or anyone fight against God and win? -No.
- -After God led the Israelites out of Egypt, to what land was God leading the Israelites?
- -Back to the land of Canaan.
- -Canaan was the land that God promised to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and their descendants.
- -When the Israelites first came to Egypt, they were only 70 people.
- -Now, after living in Egypt for 400 years, the Israelites numbered two million people.
- -How was God able to lead two million people?

Let's read Exodus 13:21-22

21-By day the LORD went ahead of Israel 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.

- 22-Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.
- -How did God lead the Israelites by day?
- -With a pillar of cloud.
- -How did God lead the Israelites by night?
- -With a pillar of fire.
- -If God did not lead the Israelites, would they know where to go?
- -No.
- -If God did not lead the Israelites, what would happen to them?
- -They would get lost and die.
- -Because God loved the Israelites, He led them so they would not get lost and die.
- -God led the Israelites up to a sea which is called the Red Sea.
- -At the Red Sea, God told the Israelites to rest for a time.

Let's read Exodus 14:1-3

- 1-Then the LORD said to Moses,
- 2-"Tell the Israelites to turn back and encamp near Pi

Hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea. They are to encamp by the sea, directly opposite Baal Zephon.

- 3-Pharaoh will think, 'The Israelites are wandering around the land in confusion, hemmed in by the desert.'"
- -Why did God lead the Israelites to the edge of the Red Sea?
- -God wanted to show both the Egyptians and the Israelites that He alone is God.
- -Who told God what Pharaoh would be thinking?
- -No one.
- -How did God know what Pharaoh would be thinking?
- -God knew every thought of Pharaoh before Pharaoh thought them.
- -God knows all of our thoughts before we even think them.
- -Let's listen to what Pharaoh was saying:

Let's read Exodus 14:5-9

5-When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, Pharaoh and his officials changed their minds about them and said, "What have we done? We have let the Israelites go and have lost their services!"

6-So Pharaoh had his chariot made ready and took his

army with him.

7-He took six hundred of the best chariots, along with all the other chariots of Egypt, with officers over all of them.

8-The LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, so that he pursued the Israelites, who were marching out boldly.

9-The Egyptians--all Pharaoh's horses and chariots, horsemen and troops--pursued the Israelites and overtook them as they camped by the sea near Pi Hahiroth, opposite Baal Zephon.

- -Pharaoh was thinking to capture the Israelites again.
- -Therefore, Pharaoh assembled his army, and went to capture the Israelites again.
- -Who was leading Pharaoh to capture the Israelites again? -Satan.
- -Why did Satan want Pharaoh to capture the Israelites again?
- -Because Satan wanted to destroy the Israelites.
- -What did the Israelites do when they saw Pharaoh and his army coming to capture them again?

Let's read Exodus 14:10a & 11-12

10-As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up,

and there were the Egyptians, marching after them.

11-They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt?

12-Didn't we say to you in Egypt, 'Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians'? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!"

-The Israelites blamed Moses, and said that they should have stayed in Egypt.

-Even though the Israelites saw God send the ten plagues in the land of Egypt, they still did not believe in God.

-The Israelites did not believe in God, but Moses believed in God.

-This is what Moses said to the Israelites:

Let's read Exodus 14:13-14

13-Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again.

14-The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still."

-Were the Israelites able to save themselves?

-No.

-Why were the Israelites not able to save themselves?

-The Red Sea was in front of them, the mountains were on both sides of them, and Pharaoh and his army were behind them.

-The Israelites were trapped.

-Who was the only One who was able to save the Israelites? -God.

-When Adam and Eve were kicked out of the Garden of Eden, they were not able to re-enter the garden.

-Only God was able to make a way to save them.

-When Isaac's hands and feet were tied, and Abraham's knife had started to sacrifice him, Isaac was not able to save himself.

-Only God was able to make a way to save Isaac.

-Now that the Israelites were trapped, they were not able to save themselves.

-Only God was able to make a way to save the Israelites.

-Just like only God was able to make a way to save the

Israelites, only God is able to make a way to save us.

-Did God make a way to save the Israelites?

Let's read Exodus 14:21-22

- 21-Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided,
- 22-and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.
- -God commanded the Red Sea to open up and make a path for the Israelites to cross the sea on dry ground.
- -Was it difficult for God to open up the Red Sea?
- -No.
- -Why was it not difficult for God to open up the Red Sea?
- -Because God created the Red Sea.
- -Because God is the Master of all the seas.
- -Because God is all powerful, and can do everything.
- -The Israelites started to cross the Red Sea.
- -Because Pharaoh and his army were coming to capture the Israelites again, what did God do to protect the Israelites?

Let's read Exodus 14:19-20

19-Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them,

20-coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.

- -God placed a cloud between the Israelites and Pharaoh and his army.
- -The cloud shined light for the Israelites and made darkness for Pharaoh and his army.
- -Even though the cloud made darkness for Pharaoh and his army, they still continued to follow the Israelites.
- -Pharaoh and his army followed the Israelites into the Red Sea.

Let's read Exodus 14:23

- 23-The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea.
- -What did God do after Pharaoh and his army had followed

the Israelites into the Red Sea?

Let's read Exodus 14:24-28

24-During the last watch of the night the LORD looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion.

25-He made the wheels of their chariots come off so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, "Let's get away from the Israelites! The LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

26-Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen."

27-Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward it; and the LORD swept them into the sea.

28-The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen--the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

- -God drowned Pharaoh and his army in the Red Sea.
- -Not one of Pharaoh's army survived.
- -Did Pharaoh fight against God and defeat God?
- -No.
- -Who can fight against God and defeat God?
- -No one.

-Did any of the Israelites die?

Let's read Exodus 14:29-30

29-But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

30-That day the LORD saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore.

- -None of the Israelites died.
- -Why did none of the Israelites die?
- -Because God protected them.
- -Why did God protect the Israelites?
- -Because God promised to send the Savior through Abraham and the Israelites.
- -Because God also wanted to send His Bible through Abraham and the Israelites.
- -If we believe in God, God will save us.
- -If we do not believe in God, then God will not save us.