



# THE STORY OF MOSES

## PART 9: FREEDOM

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# FREEDOM

Exodus 14:13. And Moses said to the people, *“Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again.”*

# FREEDOM

- Fear not
- Stand firm
- See the salvation of the Lord



# FEAR NOT

Hudson Taylor famously said:  
*Satan may build a hedge about us  
and fence us in and hinder our  
movements, but he cannot roof us  
in and prevent our looking up.*



Hudson Taylor 1832 - 1905



# FEAR NOT

- Others who have been told to fear not
  - Abram (Genesis 15:1)
  - Joshua (Joshua 8:1)
  - Gideon (Judges 6:23)
  - Solomon (1 Chronicles 28:20)
  - Jesus' disciples (Luke 12:32)
- We do not fear because God...



# FEAR NOT

## ROMANS 8:31-37 (NIV)

<sup>31</sup> What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# FEAR NOT

- Fear not - simple, uncomplicated faith in God
- Just trust Him, because you can!
- What are you in fear over at this time?





# STAND FIRM

- Exodus 14:14 AMP *The Lord will fight for you while you [only need to] keep silent and remain calm.*
- Stand until further orders



# STAND FIRM

- Isaiah 7:9 it says: *If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all.*



# STAND FIRM

- Standing firm is not passive.
  - Exodus 14:15 God says: “Why are you crying out to me... move on”.
  - Stand firm... Move on!!
- God is addressing the inner soul



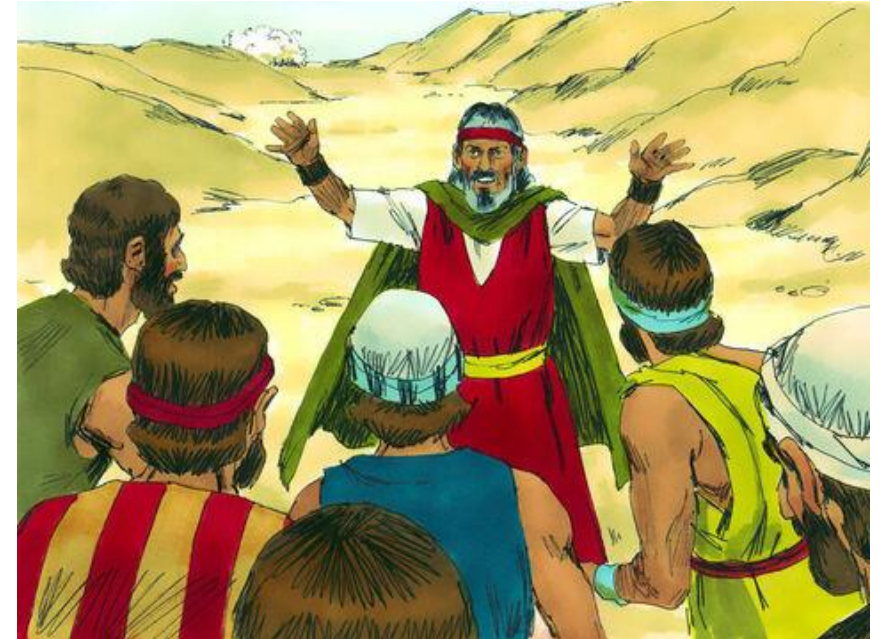
# STAND FIRM

## AN EXAMPLE FROM JEHOSHAPHAT

- 2 Chronicles 20:12 *For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.*
- 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, Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.*
- 2 Chronicles 20:21 *‘Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.’*

# STAND FIRM

- *Philippians 4:6-7 <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*





# SEE THE SALVATION OF THE LORD

- Exodus 14:21-22 *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,<sup>22</sup> and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.*



# SEE THE SALVATION OF THE LORD

- When God opens up a path, walk in it!
- We need to be alert to what God is doing and participate when he calls us to.
- For the Israelites, this was a massive walk of faith.
- As they walked, they saw the salvation of the Lord



# SEE THE SALVATION OF THE LORD

- When the Israelites came out of the water, God closed the path through the sea and the enemy was destroyed.
- The Israelites were now FREE!
- We need to see that the enemy has been destroyed



# THE RED SEA AND BAPTISM

- Romans 6
  - When we go into the waters of baptism with identify with Christ's death
  - When we come out of the water, we identify with Christ's resurrection
  - Our old self dies, and we are no longer slaves to sin.





# THE RED SEA AND BAPTISM

- 1 Corinthians 10:1-2 *For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea.<sup>2</sup> They were all baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea.*
- The children of Israel were really free, but died in the wilderness because they failed to walk with God.





# THE RED SEA AND BAPTISM

- We need to believe we are saved, believe we are free, and live it in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Put to death your past fears and failures
- Simple, uncomplicated faith



# FREEDOM

- Exodus 14:13 *“Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord...”*

