

God Wants us to be Aware

- *Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, 2 all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, 1Cor. 10:1-3*
- Why were they passing through the Sea?
- What happened as they passed through?
- Why does the Spirit through Paul call this a baptism into Moses?
- The details are very important.

Misery of Israel: Slaves in Egypt

- *Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. 9 And he said to his people, “Look, the people of the children of Israel are more and mightier than we;” ... 11 Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with their burdens. 13 So the Egyptians made the children of Israel serve with rigor. 14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage — in mortar, in brick, and in all manner of service in the field. All their service in which they made them serve was with rigor. Ex. 1:8-9, 11-14*

God Remembered His Covenant

- *Now it happened in the process of time that the king of Egypt died. Then the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. 24 So God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. 25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged them. Ex. 2:23-25*

I Have Come Down to Deliver Them

- *And the Lord said: “I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, 10*
- *Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” Ex 3:7-8, 10*

God Used Ten Plagues

- After the Tenth Plague Israel was thrust out of Egypt
- *And the Lord said to Moses, "I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will surely drive you out of here altogether. Ex 11:1-2*

Pharaoh Hardened his Heart

- *Now it was told the king of Egypt that the people had fled, and the heart of Pharaoh and his servants was turned against the people; and they said, "Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?" 6 So he made ready his chariot and took his people with him. 7 Also, he took six hundred choice chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt with captains over every one of them. 8 And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the children of Israel; and the children of Israel went out with boldness Ex 14:5-8*

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

- *And when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them. So they were very afraid, and the children of Israel cried out to the Lord ... 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." Ex 14:9, 13-14*

- *they made their lives bitter with hard bondage*
- *the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage*
- *God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant*
- *“I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians*

Why Baptism?

- *our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea*
- No ordinance of baptism when Moses took the children of Israel through the Red Sea.
- Why does the Holy Spirit call this a baptism?
- Their example of passing through the Red Sea with water piled up on both sides of them and a cloud covering them so closely resembled what a Christian does in baptism that the Spirit wanted us to be aware of and understand it.

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

- *Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will accomplish for you today.*
- *Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.*
- They must do their part in this salvation. God would open the Red Sea, but they needed the faith to pass through it.
- *So the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea on the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. Ex 14:*

They were Delivered from Egypt

- *Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, and all the army of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained. 29 But the children of Israel had walked on dry land in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. 30 So the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 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. Ex 14:28-31*

Slavery, Deliverance, Salvation

- Israel was a slave in Egypt.
- The passing through the Red Sea gave deliverance and salvation.
- Before they passed through the Red Sea
- Still under Pharaoh's dominion and power.
- If God had not opened the Sea they would have died there.
- God opened the Sea and Israel passed through it unto salvation.
- This is how they were "*baptized into Moses*"

Paul showed the Parallel

- *Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were **baptized into His death?** 4 Therefore we were **buried with Him through baptism into death**, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that **our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.** 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin. Rom 6:3-8*

The Type and the Antitype

- We were buried with Jesus in our “*baptism into Christ.*” (*Rom. 6:3-4; Gal. 3:27*)
- They were buried with Moses in their “*baptism into Moses*” (*1Cor. 10:1-2*)
- After “*baptism into Moses*” they were no longer slaves to Egypt. *Ex 14:22, 28*
- After “*baptism into Christ*” we are no longer slaves to sin. *Rom 6:6*

The Type and the Antitype

- After “*baptism into Moses*” they were given Moses’ Law and under the dominion of God. (*Ex.-Deut*)
- After “*baptism into Christ*” we are under the dominion of God through Christ. (*Mt 28:18-29*)
- Everyone who was “*baptized into Moses*” was saved from Egypt. (*Ex. 14:30*)
- Everyone who is “*baptized into Christ*” is saved from sin. (*Acts 22:16*)

- What if they had said to God, we want to be saved by our faith alone and are not interested in your “water salvation?”
- They were “*all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,*” and when they came out of the Red Sea they were saved and delivered!

- These things “*became our examples,*” and “*they were written for our admonition.*”
- Those who refuse to teach the necessity of “*baptism into Christ*” have not heeded this example.
- They are among those who refused to enter the ark and be saved through water
- or those refused to enter the Red Sea and be saved through water.