

**"The Pentateuch"**  
**Exodus 15-17**  
**Wednesday April 15, 2009**

Deut 11:11-12

**Exodus 15 – The Mountaintop - Praise:**  
**Exodus 16–17 The Valley - Testing:**

**Exodus 15:1-21 Mountaintop of Praise:**

**Exodus 15:1-5 God's Victory Is Announced:**

Note the first major song in the Bible! Among the oldest of written poems. Song of Lamech Gen 4:23 (Worship of man)

"The LORD is a warrior;

Rev 19

**Ex 15: 6-10 God's Weapons Are Described:**

**Ex 15:11-16 God's Character is Extolled:**

Joshua 2:9-10

**Exodus 15:17-21 God's Promises Are Fulfilled:**

Lesson: Thanksgiving is a Necessary part of the Christian Experience.

Lesson: Our thanksgiving like Moses song should center on God Himself, not on our circumstances.

### **Exodus 15:22-27 Valley of Despair:**

Shur – *"Wall"* rocky cliffs that bordered the desert.

Ex 15:23

1 Cor 10:13

Ex 16:1-12 New Murmurings:

Grumbled – *"to be obstinate, especially in words, to complain"*

Ex 16:7

Ex 16:13-36 New Provisions:

Manna - literal *a what-ness (so to speak), manna (so called from the question about it, "What is it?")*

### **Exodus 16:22-30 The Sabbath Observed:**

Omers – the word is Egyptian. We don't have an exact measurement, but it is about 2 quarts.

### **Exodus 16:31-36 The Bread from Heaven:**

### **Exodus 17:1-7 Murmurings and Provisions:**

Ex 15:23-24 Complain about no water.

Ex 16:1-3 Not having meat and bread!

1 Cor 10:4 The Rock was Jesus Christ. Isa 53:4 Water, eternal life. John 4:14

Ex 17:7

Massah – *"Temptation, testing, trial"*

Meribah – *"quarrel, provocation, strife"*

### **Exodus 17:8-16 Fighting Without:**

### **Exodus 17:8-9 The Confrontation:**

Midianites – decedents of Abraham from his wife Zipporah. They were a pastoral tribe who were inoffensive.

Amalek – "*a descendant of Esau*" Gen 36:12

Deut 25:17-19

Joshua first time his name is mentioned. It is with battle to the flesh.

### **Exodus 17:10-13 The Battle:**

Ex 17:13

2 Kings 6:17

### **Exodus 17:14-16 The Memorial:**

Lesson: The balance of human cooperation and the divine:

Lesson: We need to mobilize and use God's resources God's way:

Lesson: The need of intercession in the battle:

Romans 8:5-8

### **Application:**

We need to be willing to face open opposition!