

Exodus 14:18

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

Analysis

The repeated purpose statement: 'the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen' emphasizes pedagogical judgment. Even enemies will learn God's identity through His acts. The threefold repetition (Pharaoh, chariots, horsemen) emphasizes comprehensive judgment on all levels of power—king, technology, soldiers. Knowledge of God comes through both salvation and judgment.

Historical Context

This fulfilled God's promise to make His name known through Pharaoh (Exodus 9:16). Egypt's defeat became legendary throughout ancient Near East (Exodus 15:14-15), teaching nations YHWH's supremacy.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does God's judgment teaching truth to unbelievers demonstrate that His glory is paramount?
2. What does comprehensive judgment (leader, technology, troops) teach about no earthly power escaping God's sovereignty?

Interlinear Text

יָדַע וְ	מִצְרַיִם	כִּי	אֲנִי	יְהוָה
shall know	And the Egyptians	H3588	H589	that I am the LORD
H3045	H4714			H3068
וְהִכָּבֵד	בְּפָרֹעַ	בְּרֶכֶב		
when I have gotten me honour	upon Pharaoh	upon his chariots		
H3513	H6547	H7393		
וּבְפָרָשָׁיו:				
and upon his horsemen				
H6571				

Additional Cross-References

Exodus 7:5 (References Lord): And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.