

# Exodus 14:23

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

## Analysis

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The Egyptian pursuit 'went in after them to the midst of the sea' shows the blinding power of hardened hearts. Despite witnessing miraculous water-walls, Egypt's entire military force—even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen—follows into the trap. This defiant pursuit into obvious miracle demonstrates judicial hardening's effects. Those determined to oppose God become blind to clear evidence, rushing to destruction despite warning.

## Historical Context

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Egyptian chariots following unarmed civilians into a path between water-walls shows irrational determination. Their hardened hearts prevented recognizing the obvious: God was fighting for Israel.

## Related Passages

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**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How does continued hardening make people pursue obviously self-destructive courses despite clear warnings?
2. What warning signs are you currently ignoring in areas where you persist in opposing God's will?

## Interlinear Text

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pursued	And the Egyptians	and went in	after	H3605	horses
H7291	H4714	H935	H310		H5483
פָּרַעַה	רֶכֶב	וּפָרָשָׁיו	אֵל	תּוֹךְ	
even all Pharaoh's	his chariots	and his horsemen	H413	them to the midst	
H6547	H7393	H6571		H8432	
הַיָּם:					
of the sea					
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## Additional Cross-References

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**Exodus 14:17** (References Egypt): And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

**Exodus 15:19** (Parallel theme): For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea.