

Exodus 15:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

Analysis

Moses and Israel's immediate response to deliverance is worship—'Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD.' Salvation provokes song. The content 'I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously' celebrates divine victory. The phrase 'triumphed gloriously' translates 'gaoh gaah' (גָּאֹה גָּאָה—exalted He is exalted), using Hebrew intensive form for emphasis. The specific victory: 'the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea' recounts the visible triumph.

Historical Context

This is Scripture's first recorded song and became a model for Hebrew poetry. The Song of Moses appears again in Deuteronomy 32 (different song) and Revelation 15:3 where martyrs sing 'the song of Moses.'

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. How quickly does salvation produce worship in your life, or do you delay gratitude?
2. What 'horse and rider' (source of enemy power) has God overthrown in your experience?

Interlinear Text

ז	אֶשׁ יְכֶּה	מֹשֶׁה	וּבְנֵי יִ	יִשְׂרָאֵל ל	אֶת	הַשִּׁיר הַ	
H227	I will sing	Moses	and the children	of Israel	H853	this song	
	H7891	H4872	H1121	H3478		H7892	
הַזֹּאת	לַיהוָה	לְאִמֹּר	לְאִמֹּר	אֶשׁ יְכֶּה	לַיהוָה	כִּי	
H2063	unto the LORD	and spake	and spake	I will sing	unto the LORD	H3588	
	H3068	H559	H559	H7891	H3068		
גָּאֵה	גָּאֵה	ס	ס	וְרֹכֵב	וְ		
for he hath triumphed	for he hath triumphed	the horse		and his rider			
H1342	H1342	H5483		H7392			
כָּמָה	בָּם:						
hath he thrown	into the sea						
H7411	H3220						

Additional Cross-References

Revelation 15:3 (Sin): And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

Exodus 15:21 (Glory): And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

Psalms 106:12 (Parallel theme): Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.

Psalms 107:8 (References Lord): Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

Colossians 2:15 (Parallel theme): And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Psalms 107:15 (References Lord): Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

Exodus 18:11 (References Lord): Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

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