

Exodus 15:19

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

The prose summary repeats the miracle: '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.' This rehearsal ensures the event's historicity is emphasized—not poetic exaggeration but actual occurrence. The contrast 'but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea' reiterates the different outcomes for the two groups. Same location, opposite results, based on covenant relationship.

Historical Context

This transitional verse bridges the poetic song (vv. 1-18) and the narrative continuation (vv. 20-27). Its prose format emphasizes historical factuality rather than merely poetic imagery.

Related Passages

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does the repeated emphasis on historical factuality rather than myth strengthen faith's foundation?
2. What does the same location producing opposite outcomes teach about covenant relationship determining destiny?

Interlinear Text

וּבְפָרָשָׁיו	בְּרֶכֶב ו	פָּרָעָה	ס וס	בָּא	כִּי
and with his horsemen	with his chariots	of Pharaoh	For the horse	went in	
H6571	H7393	H6547	H5483	H935	H3588
יַם י	אֶת עֲלֵהָם	יְהוָה	וַיָּשָׁב	הָיָה:	
the waters		and the LORD	brought again	into the sea	
H4325	H853	H3068	H7725	H3220	
בְּיָדָהּ	הָלַךְ ו	יִשְׂרָאֵל	וּבְנֵי י	הָיָה:	
on dry	went	of Israel	upon them but the children	into the sea	
H3004	H1980	H3478	H1121	H3220	
			הָיָה:	בֵּית וְ	
			into the sea	land in the midst	
			H3220	H8432	

Additional Cross-References

Hebrews 11:29 (Parallel theme): By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.