

Exodus 16:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:

Analysis

At even ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt—Moses promises two-fold vindication: evening meat and morning bread will prove God, not Moses, orchestrated the exodus. The Hebrew יְדָעָה (yada', 'to know') indicates experiential knowledge—Israel will know by tasting God's provision. The sequence (evening quail, morning manna) shows God answers even unrighteous prayers, though the quail later comes with judgment (Num 11:33). God's glory appearing 'in the morning' connects to Christ as the 'dayspring from on high' (Luke 1:78) and resurrection morning when God's glory definitively appeared.

Historical Context

Moses speaks prophetically, as neither quail nor manna had yet appeared. His confidence rests entirely on God's promise, modeling the faith Israel should have shown.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How does God's provision of even unrighteous requests reveal His patience with our immaturity?
2. What does 'knowing experientially' through provision teach about faith versus mere intellectual assent?

Interlinear Text

ישָׁרְאָל	בְּנֵי	כָּל	אֶל	וְאַבָּרְךָ	מֹשֶׁה	וְאַמְرָךְ
of Israel						
said	And Moses	and Aaron	H413	H3605	unto all the children	
H559	H4872	H175				H1121
At even	then ye shall know	H3588	that the LORD	hath brought you out		אֶתְכֶם
H6153	H3045		H3068	H3318		H853
מִצְרַיִם	מִן	כִּי	הִהְיָה	אֵת	בְּ	
from the land	of Egypt					
H776	H4714					

Additional Cross-References

Exodus 6:7 (References Lord): And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

Numbers 16:30 (References Lord): But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD.

Numbers 16:28 (References Lord): And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.

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