

# Hosea 13:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me.

## Analysis

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Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me. God's self-identification: LORD who redeemed from Egypt. Command: know no other god. Reason: no other savior exists. This establishes exclusive salvation - YHWH alone saves, all alternatives fail. Acts 4:12 declares: No other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved. Christ is the name - God incarnate, only Savior. All religious alternatives prove powerless. Only Jesus saves from sin, death, and judgment through His substitutionary atonement.

## Historical Context

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The Exodus established God's saving character - delivering from bondage through power and grace. Yet Israel sought other saviors: Baal for crops, Egypt/Assyria for security, idols for blessings. All failed. The exclusive claim no savior beside me eliminated alternatives. Modern parallel: pluralistic claims that many paths lead to God contradict Scripture's exclusive gospel. Christ alone saves; other religions offer false hope. Peter declared: Neither is there salvation in any other (Acts 4:12). Eternal destinies depend on recognizing Christ as only Savior.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does the exclusive claim no savior beside me confront modern religious pluralism?
2. What false saviors (things/people I trust for security, satisfaction, or salvation) need exposing as powerless?

## Interlinear Text

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וְאֵנֹכִי H595	יְהוָה H3068	וְאֵלֹהִים H430	מִן הָאֲרֶץ H776	מִמִּצְרַיִם H4714	וְאֵלֹהִים H430
	Yet I am the LORD	no god	from the land	of Egypt	no god
לֹא H2108	אֲנִי H3808	וְתָדַע H3045	וּמֹשֶׁה יֵעַ H3467	אֵין H369	בְּלִתִּי H1115
but me		and thou shalt know	for there is no saviour		beside me

## Additional Cross-References

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**Hosea 12:9** (References God): And I that am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt will yet make thee to dwell in tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feast.

**Isaiah 43:3** (Salvation): For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

**Acts 4:12** (Salvation): Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.