

# Numbers 15:41

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD your God.

## Analysis

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The concluding formula 'I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt' grounds the command for holiness in redemption. God didn't command holiness and then redeem—He redeemed first, then called the redeemed to holiness. This establishes the biblical pattern: salvation precedes obedience, which flows from gratitude for redemption rather than earning it. The phrase 'to be your God' emphasizes covenant relationship—God chose Israel as His special possession, requiring reciprocal commitment from them.

## Historical Context

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This formula, repeated throughout the Pentateuch, constantly reminded Israel that their relationship with God was founded on grace—His unmerited choice to redeem them from slavery. Egypt represented bondage to sin and idolatry; deliverance from Egypt represented salvation from sin's power. Paul later uses the Exodus as a type of Christian salvation (1 Corinthians 10:1-4), showing that redemption always precedes and motivates holiness.

## Related Passages

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**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

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

## Study Questions

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1. How does remembering your redemption in Christ motivate pursuit of holiness rather than earning salvation?
2. What practical difference does it make to root obedience in gratitude for grace rather than in earning favor?

## Interlinear Text

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אַתֶּם הָזֶה אֲלֹהֵיכֶם: אֲשֶׁר רָאָתֶם  
H589 I am the LORD to be your God H834 which brought you out H853  
H3068 H430 H3318

יְהִי הָאָنֹכִי אֲלֹהֵיכֶם: לְכָם לְהִזְבֵּן מִן-מֵאֶרֶץ  
of the land of Egypt H1961 H0 to be your God H589 I am the LORD  
H776 H4714 H430 H3068

אֲלֹהֵיכֶם:  
to be your God H430

## Additional Cross-References

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**Leviticus 22:33** (References God): That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD.

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