

TESTS OF FAITH FROM THE HAND OF GOD

(Exodus 17)

I. ISRAEL'S REDEMPTION FROM EGYPT (Exodus 1-18)

A. The Bitter Water Faith-Test in the Wilderness of Shur (15:23-27)

B. The No Food Faith-Test in the Wilderness of Sin (16:1-36)

C. The No Water Faith-Test in the Wilderness in Rephidim (17:1-7)

1. Israel was led to Rephidim by _____. (v. 1)

* Why did God do this?

2. Israel reacted to this trial from the Lord by _____ to _____ rather than _____ in _____ to deliver them. (vv. 2-7)

* What would have been the proper response here?

* How did Moses respond in this situation?

3. Yahweh instructed Moses to go _____ the people and _____ the rock. (vv. 5-6)

* Who was the Rock a type of?

D. The Amalekite Faith-Test in Rephidim (17:8-16)

1. Israel was involved in its _____ against the Amalekites. (v. 8)

* Who were the Amalekites?

* What was their strategy with Israel?

* What do the Amalekites illustrate in your life as a believer in Christ?

2. Moses commissioned _____, a faithful _____ of the Lord, to lead Israel in battle with the Amalekites. (vv. 9-10a)

* Why did Jehovah desire Israel to get involved in its first battle here?

3. Moses' posture of continual intercession teaches us that spiritual victories are only gained through _____. (vv.10b-13)

4. Moses' built an _____ to worship the Lord following this victory and he gave Him the _____ that was rightfully His by calling it "*The Lord is My Banner.*" (vv. 14-16)

* Is the Lord the "banner" over your Christian Life?