

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

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God of the Exodus

Genesis 15:13-14; Exodus 1:1 – 15:21

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Unison Cm Cm7 $\frac{Cm}{Eb}$ Fm Fm7 Ab Cm $\frac{Cm}{Bb}$ Ab6

1. Time - less God, Pa - tient God, Grow - ing all Your per - fect
 2. Might - y God, Sav - ing God, Act - ing when the time is
 3. Righ - teous God, Fear - some God, Rul - ing all from age to

G sus $\frac{G}{D}$ G Eb $\frac{Eb}{Bb}$ $\frac{Eb}{Bb}$ Eb Bb Bb7 Cm $\frac{Cm}{Bb}$

will, Draw - ing us a - long with ev - 'ry prom - ise,
 right, Lead - ing us from bond - age, death, and dark - ness
 age, Kings and might - y seas fall down be - fore You

Ab6 Fm9 $\frac{Eb}{G}$ Cm Bbsus $\frac{Bbsus}{F}$ Bb $\frac{Bb}{F}$ Cm Cm7 $\frac{Cm}{G}$

Prov - ing You are with us still, Time - less God,
 In - to all Your love's pure light, Might - y God,
 As You claim the cen - ter stage. Righ - teous God,

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6.7.10.7.6.7.

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Fm Fm/C Fm Fm/D Cm Ab6 Gm7 Cm Cm/G Cm

Faith - ful God, Work - ing all Your per - fect will!
 Per - fect God, Might - y when the time is right!
 Time - less God, God the same from age to age!

TOPICS: God's Love; Praise & Worship; Transcendent God; Tunes, Classical

LEAD-IN: *Say...to the sons of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the labors of the Egyptians, and I will rescue you from their bondage. I will also redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments. Then I will take you as My people, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who brought you out from under the labors of the Egyptians.'*
 (Exodus 6:6-7, NASB)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

God of the Exodus

Exodus 1:1 – 15:21

The exodus started centuries before
 Moses met God at the burning bush.
 God's plan was already in motion
 when He called Abraham to
 leave his homeland and
 start off for a land God would show him.
 He relayed some of the details to Abraham
 500 years before they happened:

"Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, where they will be enslaved and oppressed for four hundred years. But I will also judge the nation whom they will serve, and afterward they will come out with many possessions." (Genesis 15:13-14, NASB)

God was working when
 Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery,
 only for God to exalt him to
 rulership in Egypt.

Then from the beginning of the exodus process,
 God told Moses plainly that
 the exodus would not happen quickly nor painlessly:

"But I know that the king of Egypt will not permit you to go, except under compulsion. So I will reach out with My hand and strike Egypt with all My miracles which I shall do in the midst of it; and after that he will let you go." (Exodus 3:19-20, NASB)

God was in charge from the outset.
 He intentionally prolonged the process
 by repeatedly hardening Pharaoh's heart.

His intent was to
fully,
undeniably,
unforgettably
act out His saving power
on the world stage.

And His plan worked.
God's deliverance of Israel from Egypt became
a touchstone for their entire relationship.
The memorial celebration of the Exodus,
the Passover,
is still at the heart of Israel's worship.

Over 40 years later and far away from Egypt,
we are given a tiny glimpse of
the impression the Exodus had made on the entire world.
In the conquering of Jericho, Rahab the prostitute gave
this explanation for why she turned against her own city
to aid the invading Israelites:

"I know that the Lord has given you the land, and that the terror of you has fallen on us, and that all the inhabitants of the land have despaired because of you. For we have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt...When we heard these reports, our hearts melted and no courage remained in anyone any longer because of you; for the Lord your God, He is God in heaven above and on earth below." (Joshua 2:9-11, NASB)

Then when Jesus came,
He fulfilled the Passover
in the Lord's Supper and
made it a celebration of salvation for all believers.

The Exodus is a dramatic demonstration of the unchanging
power and
love of
the sovereign God who is
determined to deliver His people completely
from all that oppresses them.