

CROSSING OVER TO THE OTHER SIDE

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Where you are now is not where you want to be for certain. I believe you have not reached your final destination. You are still going somewhere. There may be giants on the way. Every giant before you must be slain like Goliath was slain by David.

You may be standing before your Red sea or river Jordan; but you must know you can cross over to the other side.

There is no problem that cannot be solved. Problems are meant to be overcome. And you will overcome.

Your destination must be reached. Every obstacle on the road of your destiny must be crushed.

- You can cross over to the other side.
- You can cross over to a life of abundance.
- You can cross over to a life of good health.
- You can cross over to a life of endless progress.
- You can cross over to a life of success and excellence, were mediocrity will be a thing of the past.

You were not designed for failure, lack, poverty, stagnation, sickness and sorrow. You must reach out and take what is yours for it is already written that you have been delivered from the dominion of darkness and that the rod of the wicked shall no longer remain over the portion that is allotted to the righteous.

Col 1:13

13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,

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Ps 125:3

3 The scepter of the wicked will not remain over the land allotted to the righteous, for then the righteous might use their hands to do evil.

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- It takes discovery to recover.
- It takes knowledge to walk in the light.
- It takes the right perspective to walk in victory.
- It takes the right thinking to produce the right experience.
- It takes insight to produce a testimony.

Knowledge of how to crossover will be very helpful at this time.

TEXT

Ex 14

14:1 Then the LORD said to Moses, 2 "Tell the Israelites to turn back and encamp near Pi Hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea. They are to encamp by the sea, directly opposite Baal Zephon. 3 Pharaoh will think, 'The Israelites are wandering around the land in confusion, hemmed in by the desert.' 4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will pursue them. But I will gain glory for myself through Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD." So the Israelites did this.

5 When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, Pharaoh and his officials changed their minds about them and said, "What have we done? We have let the Israelites go and have lost their services!" 6 So he had his chariot made ready and took his army with him. 7 He took six hundred of the best chariots, along with all the other chariots of Egypt, with officers over all of them. 8 The LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, so that he pursued the Israelites, who were marching out boldly. 9 The Egyptians--all Pharaoh's horses and chariots, horsemen and troops--pursued the Israelites and overtook them as they camped by the sea near Pi Hahiroth, opposite Baal Zephon.

10 As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up, and there were the Egyptians, marching after them. They were terrified and cried out to the LORD. 11 They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt? 12 Didn't we say to you in Egypt, 'Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians'? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!"

13 Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. 14 The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still."

15 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. 16 Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground. 17 I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them. And I will gain glory through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen. 18 The Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I gain glory through Pharaoh, his chariots and his horsemen."

19 Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, 20 coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long.

21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, 22 and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

23 The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. 24 During the last watch of the night the LORD looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. 25 He made the wheels of their chariots come off so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, "Let's get away from the Israelites! The LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

26 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen." 27 Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward

it, and the LORD swept them into the sea. 28 The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen--the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

29 But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. 30 That day the LORD saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. 31 And when the Israelites saw the great power the LORD displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

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STEPS TO CROSSING OVER TO THE OTHER SIDE

- 1. Picture victory.** Believe you can cross over.
- 2. See your destination.** Focus on the other side of the river and not on your present position so that your faith will remain strong and not be weakened.

Heb 11:6

6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

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- 3. Be determined not to serve your enemies again.** Be determined to maintain your freedom and enjoy the blessing of the new covenant.
- 4. Consecrate yourself to the service and glory of God.** The Israelites sacrificed the Passover lamb, consecrating themselves by the blood of the lamb. (Exodus 11 – 13)
 - If you are not born again, give your life to Jesus Christ immediately.
 - If you a backslider or defeated Christian, return to God now.
 - If you are a stable Christian, re-examine yourself and re-dedicate yourself to live for God's glory.
- 5. Pray fervently to the Lord.** The fervent, effectual prayer of a righteous man avails much.

James 5:16

16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

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Ex 14:15

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- 6. Always be positive and speak positively even when you do not know when and how to cross over.** Don't use your mouth to worsen the situation. But use it to better your lot.
- 7. Listen for God's voice.** Tarry until you hear from God and know what to do. Study to know what God has already spoken in his word to do in order to crossover.
- 8. In faith, carry out God's instructions.** Follow "foolishly", in faith, religiously, the commands of the Spirit of God.
 - Lean not on your own understanding. He may ask you to do some unheard of things – some seemingly foolish things. Your miracle lies in obedience.

9. **Be confident that God will see you through and that God will not change his mind in the middle of the battle.**
10. **Do not allow the devil to distract you from your focus – what God is doing.** Don't be like Peter who shifted his attention from the Lord and His word and began to look at the wind (Matt. 14: 28 -30).
 - The people could have been distracted by the wall of water on both sides of the dry pathway, but they believed till they made it to the other side.
11. **Don't kill time when God has already made a way.** Don't waste opportunity. Cross in a hurry like the Israelites, bearing in mind the devil is still trying to see if he can continue to keep you as a slave.
 - Be watchful! Be alert! Make most of every opportunity, redeeming the time.

Eph 5:15-17
15 Be very careful, then, how you live-not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.
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12. **Learn, and follow instructions n how to close the on the devil after you have crossed to the other side so that he does not catch up with you again.**

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13. **Employ the power of praise all the way, especially after the victory has been won.** You must give all the credit and glory to God and not yourself or the instruments of God (Exodus 15).

CONCLUSION

If you will do all I have shown you in this message. You will crossover again and again to the other side. God bless you in Jesus name. Amen.