



Redemption's Song

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TODAY'S READING: Exodus 15

When we realize the greatness of God's rescuing grace and mercy in our lives, it is appropriate to respond to Him in praise through song. That is exactly what Moses, and the Hebrew people did in response to God's rescue of them through the Red Sea and the Exodus. This chapter records the song of Moses (vv. 1-19) and the song of Miriam (vv. 20-21).

Among the themes of their praise were:

- Praising God for His redemption of His people (vv. 1-12, 20-21)
- Praising God for His guidance (vs. 13)
- Praising God for the future He has provided for His people (vv. 14-18)

As appropriate as the praises of Moses, Miriam, and all the people were, how much more do we—who have been redeemed, rescued, and transformed through the power, mercy, and grace in Jesus Christ—have to praise God for?

John's record in the book of Revelation gives us a glimpse of the eternal praise that connects to the songs here in Exodus 15: *"And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, 'Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.'" (Revelation 15:3-4, ESV)*

In one of his last sermons, Dr. James Montgomery Boice described music as *"a gift from God that allows us to express our deepest heart responses to God and his truth in meaningful and memorable ways. It is a case of our hearts joining with our minds to say, 'Yes! Yes! Yes!' to the truths we are embracing."*

Every believer should sing to the Lord, not because we have a good voice, but because of who God is and what He has done for us! As you continue to walk with the Lord, make sure that you do not miss out on the transforming power of praise, whether in a crowd or alone before the Lord.

Today as you spend a few moments with the Lord, pick out a favorite song or hymn that expresses your heart and sing it to the Lord. It doesn't have to be loud, it doesn't have to sound "good" in the eyes of others, it just has to be directed to the Lord.

PRAYER: Father, grow my heart and my mind so that I will live a life of praise toward You with my life and my lips.

TOMORROW'S READING: Exodus 33

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