

Sermon Reflections

Redemption's Reflex: Praise! (Exodus 15:1-21)

Summary:

The reflexive response to redemption is praise; in worship.

So, why do we sing?

1. We sing because we know God personally (Exodus 15:1-3)

- A reflexive response is an automatic (spontaneous) response because we, as God's creation, made in His image are designed to respond to our God in His praise. Because we are redeemed individually, we want to respond individually with our own personal praise for the God Who has saved and redeemed us for Himself. Praise God! Make a joyful noise (to Him!).
- Make this thought a point in your personal and private devotions this week (as you read God's Word) to ascribe Him praise, as He is Worthy.

2. We sing because we have been rescued (Exodus 15:4-10)

- Just as the nation of Israel was rescued from what seemed to be a hopeless, impossible situation (simply walking away through a sea on dry ground!!!) and by God causing certain death -- Pharaoh and his world class army to go to the bottom of that very sea much like a lead sinker goes to the bottom of the sea; so, God has rescued those who trust only in the Lord Jesus Christ. Believers in Christ have been rescued from a certain second death to spend eternity in heaven with the Lord and all the redeemed.
- Have you been rescued? Are you singing? Why or why not?

3. We sing because we marvel at God's Greatness (Exodus 15:11-13)

- Select no more than six verses (or passages) which provide detail of God's Greatness. If possible, make some or all of these selections from verses/passages you have memorized! Freshen these verses up as the testimonies of the Lord are sure (Psalm 19:7).

4. We sing because we hope for the Future (Exodus 15:14-21)

- In exquisite parallel with the Israelites' experience at the sea as they are rescued and for a time marvel at the Greatness of their God Who brought them all out of Egypt, we, as believers today, have hope for our Future. We even have hope for our own "promised land" aka eternity with our great and marvelous Savior—FOREVER! Purpose to remember this fact once per day every day in this coming week. Perhaps even tell one other person of your hope?