

Epic Faith and the Rational Mind
The Red Sea Crossing: Crisis and Vindication
Exodus 13:17-14:31

1. Understanding the _____ of crisis
 - A. _____ claims without _____
 - B. _____ positions to _____ views
 - C. _____ of position

2. Following the _____ of crisis
 - A. It began as a crisis of _____
 - B. It morphed into crises of _____
 - C. It became a crisis of _____

3. Living in the _____ of the crisis
 - A. Heretofore, faith has been in _____, not in the evidence
 - B. Faith is now being _____ by the evidence

Conclusions

1. Saving faith is the _____ to let God be God.
2. Living faith is _____ even without the evidence.

Connect Group Study Guide

1. What are some other epic events in scripture? What's your favorite? What makes them epic?

Read Exodus 13:17-14:31

2. Summarize the preceding events.
3. Where were the Israelites told to go? Why? What was their reaction?
4. Have you ever been led somewhere by God that didn't make sense?
5. After experiencing the sermon, what did you learn about the location that God had sent them?
6. How did Moses respond the people's complaining?
7. How did God respond to Moses? Are you aware of other places in Scripture where God has given similar instructions? What does that tell us that God's answer to us might be much of the time?
8. According to the text, list the events as they occurred after this.
9. Why do you think it was necessary for God to instruct Moses to stretch out his staff so that the water would flow back over the Egyptians?
10. If there was scientific explanation for the parting of the sea and the drying of the ground, would it make it any less of a miracle? Why or why not?
11. Notwithstanding these miraculous events, the Israelites continued to grumble against Moses and the Lord. What can we learn from their actions?
12. How have you grown in your faith that is reflected in whether you need hard evidence or not in obeying God?