

THE JOURNEY TO REPHIDIM Exodus 17 – 18

After God's miraculous supply of bread and water for the Israelites, problems continued to confront them. Notice how God's previous provisions for them affected them as they continued on their journey:

A. The Third Great Problem: Read Exodus 17: 1-7

1. When the people arrived at Rephidim, what great problem did they face? Exodus 17:1b

2. What did the people do because of this problem? Exodus 17:2, 3

3. What did Moses fear they would do to him because of this problem? Exodus 17:4b____

4. What did Moses do about this problem? Exodus 17:4a

5. What did God tell Moses to do that this need might be met?
Exodus 17:5, 6 _____

B. The Fourth Great Problem: Read Exodus 17:8-16

1. What other great problem did Israel face at Rephidim? Exodus 17:8

2. Who led the troops of Israel in war against this enemy? Exodus 17:9a, 10a

3. What did Moses do? Exodus 17:9b, 10b

4. What two things happened as the battle progressed that day? Exodus 17:11
a. _____
b. _____
5. Was it easy for Moses to continue holding up his hands? Exodus 17:12a

6. What two things did they do to make it possible for him to continue this?
a. Exodus 17:12b _____
b. Exodus 17:12c _____
7. What did his holding up his hands show he was doing? (*THINK!*)

8. What was the outcome of this battle? Exodus 17: 13

NOTE: Discomfit (dis-COM-fit) means to scatter in fight; to put to rout.

C. The Fifth Great Problem: Read Exodus 18:1-27

1. Who came to visit with Moses after he arrived at Rephidim? Exodus 18:5, 6

2. About what did Moses tell his visitor? Exodus 18:8

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3. What was Jethro's reaction to all that he heard? Exodus 18:9, 10
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4. What did he realize because of these events? Exodus 18:11
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5. What did he do after this? Exodus 18:12
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6. What did Moses do all day, the next day? Exodus 18:13
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7. What did his father-in-law say about this? Exodus 18:14-17
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8. What did he say might happen if Moses continued to do this? Exodus 18:18
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9. What did he suggest that Moses do to solve this problem? Exodus 18:21, 22
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10. Did Moses feel that this was good advice? Exodus 18: 24-26
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was there anything Israel needed that God did not provide?
(See Philippians 4: 19)_____
2. Therefore, what should have been their reaction, and what should be mine,
in the face of every need? (See Philippians 4: 6, 7)
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