PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

Sermon Date: 04/06/2023 Text(s): Exodus 15:1-21 Sermon Title: Images of God – Warrior Preachers: Rev Collin See (The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

Exodus 15:1–21 (NLT)

1 Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD: "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; he has hurled both horse and rider into the sea.

2 The LORD is my strength and my song; he has given me victory. This is my God, and I will praise him—my father's God, and I will exalt him!

3 The LORD is a warrior; Yahweh is his name!

4 Pharaoh's chariots and army he has hurled into the sea. The finest of Pharaoh's officers are drowned in the Red Sea.

5 The deep waters gushed over them; they sank to the bottom like a stone.

6 "Your right hand, O LORD, is glorious in power. Your right hand, O LORD, smashes the enemy.

7 In the greatness of your majesty, you overthrow those who rise against you. You unleash your blazing fury; it consumes them like straw.

8 At the blast of your breath, the waters piled up! The surging waters stood straight like a wall; in the heart of the sea the deep waters became hard.

9 "The enemy boasted, 'I will chase them and catch up with them. I will plunder them and consume them. I will flash my sword; my powerful hand will destroy them.'

10 But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters.11 "Who is like you among the gods, O LORD— glorious in holiness, awesome in splendor, performing great wonders?

12 You raised your right hand, and the earth swallowed our enemies.

13 "With your unfailing love you lead the people you have redeemed. In your might, you guide them to your sacred home.

14 The peoples hear and tremble; anguish grips those who live in Philistia.

15 The leaders of Edom are terrified; the nobles of Moab tremble. All who live in Canaan melt away;

16 terror and dread fall upon them. The power of your arm makes them lifeless as stone until your people pass by, O LORD, until the people you purchased pass by.

17 You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain— the place, O LORD, reserved for your own dwelling, the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hands have established.

18 The LORD will reign forever and ever!"

19 When Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and charioteers rushed into the sea, the LORD brought the water crashing down on them. But the people of Israel had walked through the middle of the sea on dry ground!

20 Then Miriam the prophet, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine and led all the women as they played their tambourines and danced.

21 And Miriam sang this song: "Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; he has hurled both horse and rider into the sea."

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. Exodus 15:3 says, "The LORD is a warrior; Yahweh is his name!" Exodus 15:6 points to God's right hand that has glorious power to smash all His enemies. Furthermore, v12 says God raised His right hand and the earth swallowed His enemies. Is the image of God as a warrior new to you? Is it important to you that your God is a warrior and why?
- 2. God's power can be released from His mighty right hand. It can also be released from His breath. With His breath God parted the Red Sea, gave life to Adam, and released the Holy Spirit to the apostles. God's breath gives life and power. Suppose Jesus were to blow on your forehead. Would you accept or reject it? Would you tell Him not to blow on you but simply place His right hand on you?

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect and apply God's word to our daily lives)

- 1. The preacher said there is strength and power when we sing one song together. What can stop us from receiving God's strength and power? The preacher also reminded us that the joy of the Lord is our strength. What can stop us from experiencing this joy and receive the strength that comes with it?
- 2. The preacher declared that our God, the Mighty Warrior, has got a wonderful plan for us. The Mighty Warrior wants us to receive His salvation. Our Mighty Warrior wants us to dwell in His eternal dwelling. What does it mean to you to be saved by your God, the Mighty Warrior? What does it mean to you be able to dwell in His presence, now and forevermore?

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another) (Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to find strength and courage in the knowledge that our God is a Mighty Warrior who will fight for us and defend us against all attacks of the enemy.
- Pray for our life groups and our church to rise up to me mighty men and women of God who would fight alongside Him to overcome darkness and evil that is prevalent in this world.