

## A Miracle That Cannot Be Delayed (Part I)

*“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”* (Psalm 46:1, New King James Version).

This is the key Bible verse for the **“Come and See”** devotional today.

We must not downplay the importance of the virtue of patience in our walk with God. But, for the purpose of this devotional we look at the timeliness of the Almighty God when considering His response to certain situations in which we find ourselves. We read in the Bible: *“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some count slackness”* (2 Peter 3:9a, New King James Version). Promises are meant to be kept and the ever faithful God is no exception: He promised never to leave you alone.

This brings to mind the events at the Red Sea; here, the children of Israel were being chased by the Egyptians as they were escaping from over four hundred years of captivity (read Exodus 13). This was how the Bible recorded the distress of the Israelites: *“and when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them. So they were very afraid, and the children of Israel cried out to the Lord.”* (Exodus 14:10, New King James Version). At this point, only an immediate miracle could save them from their imminent destruction. It was not an option to swim across the mighty waters of the Red Sea because many of the older people and young children could not do this. Something had to happen if they were to escape. The Almighty God knew all this but He said to Moses: *“why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.”* (Exodus 14:15b, New King James Version).

We read that the Lord miraculously parted the Red Sea to allow their safe passage across dry land. As far as their pursuers were concerned, the Bible records: *“and Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. So the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.”* (Exodus 14:27, New King James Version).

If you are now in a situation similar to that of the children of Israel, then your miracle will be delivered without delay. One of the major reasons why the Unchanging God had to intervene immediately in the case of the Israelites was because He had started with them; in other words, He was the one who had called upon them to escape bondage in order to serve and worship Him without restraint.

Similarly, if you are born-again in Jesus Christ and are confronted by any obstacle that prevents you from going forward, this miracle will be repeated to allow your safe passage to liberty. It is God’s plan for you to progress without hindrance and therefore nothing can stop the fulfilment of this promise in your life. John 12 verse 23 reads: “Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.” (New International Version). Our God is always well-timed for His name alone to be glorified in any situation, no matter how hard it appears.

Let us pray: “Father, by your power and mercy intervene in my situation. Let not my miracle be delayed any longer,” in Jesus’ Mighty Name, Amen.

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