4. Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease; Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. *Refrain*



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The Private Worship of God – October 11, 2020

COMMUNION WITH GOD

Hymn of Creation and Providence	Hymn 69
Eternal Father, Strong to S	Save by William Whitting

- 1. Eternal Father, strong to save,
 Whose arm does bind the restless wave,
 Who bids the mighty ocean deep
 Its own appointed limits keep;
 O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea.
- 2. O Savior, whose almighty word
 The winds and waves submissive heard,
 Who walked upon the foaming deep,
 And calm amid the rage did sleep;
 O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea.
- 3. O Holy Spirit, who did brood
 Upon the waters dark and rude,
 And bid their angry tumult cease,
 And give for wild confusion peace;
 O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea.
- 4. O Trinity of love and pow'r,
 Your children shield in danger's hour;
 From rock and tempest, fire, and foe,
 Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
 Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee
 Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND PRAYER

Scripture Reading	Exodus 14:19-31
Prayer of Intercession	Dr. Dew

(Please review our prayer list and pray for those listed.)



Children's Lesson...Parting the Red Sea

Theme: God's Power and Protection

Object: Ceramic or plastic plate, water, pepper, dish soap, paper towel

Scripture: Exodus 14:19-31

19 And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them: 20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night. 21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. 22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. 23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. 24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the Lord looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians, 25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the Lord fighteth for them against the Egyptians. 26 And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen. 27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. 28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them. 29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. 30 Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore. 31 And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and his servant Moses.

Our Bible lesson today is about one of the most spectacular events in the entire Bible. The Israelites had been slaves in Egypt for over 400 years. But Pharaoh refused to let God's people go until God sent 10 plagues to all of Egypt. After so many bad things happened, Pharaoh finally decided it was best to let the Israelites go.

The Israelites followed Moses out of Egypt.

Pour enough water on the plate to cover the bottom.

But Pharaoh changed his mind again. He sent his giant army to bring the Israelites back to Egypt. And the Israelites were caught between the army and the Red Sea. When God's people saw the Egyptian army and chariots coming, they were afraid.

Shake pepper all over the water. Put your finger into the water and touch the bottom of the plate.

What happened? (Pause for a few responses.) You're right; nothing happened! The pepper just stuck to my finger. Hmm. The Israelites were afraid that the Red Sea would cover them completely.

But Moses said, "Don't be afraid. Just stand still and watch God save you today. The Egyptians you see today will never be seen again. The Lord Himself will fight for you. Just stay calm."

Then Moses raised his hand over the sea, and God opened up a pathway through the water with a strong east wind.

Put a drop of dish soap on the tip of your finger. Then put your finger into the water again and touch the bottom of the plate. The pepper on top of the water will instantly spread apart.

The people of Israel walked right through the middle of the sea on dry ground, with walls of water on each side! The Egyptians, with their horses and chariots, followed the Israelites through the sea, but God twisted their chariot wheels, making them difficult to drive.

When the Israelites reached the other side of the water, God said to Moses, "Raise your hand over the sea again." When Moses did, the water rushed back and all of the chariots and horses and the entire army of the Pharaoh were drowned. Not a single one survived.

When the people of Israel saw the mighty power God had unleashed against the Egyptians, they were filled with awe.

Imagine that—God caused the waters of the sea to separate. That's kind of like our pepper trick, but on a giant scale. God is powerful and He protected His people, and He protects us, too.

God, thank You for saving the Israelites. Thank You for showing us in big ways and in small ways that You are powerful. Remind us that when we feel afraid or confused, You protect us. In Jesus' name, amen.

Children's Sermon is from <u>www.sermons4kids.com</u>)

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND GIVING

1. Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus, going on before!
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
Forward into battle, see His banner go!

Refrain:

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus, going on before!

- 2. At the sign of triumph, Satan's host doth flee; On, then, Christian soldiers, on to victory! Hell's foundations quiver, at the shout of praise; Brothers, lift your voices, loud your anthems raise! Refrain
- 3. Like a mighty army, moves the church of God;
 Brothers, we are treading, where the saints have trod;
 We are not divided; all one body we,
 One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

 Refrain
- 4. Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng, Blend with ours your voices, in the triumph song; Glory, laud, and honor, unto Christ the King; This thro' countless ages, men and angels sing. *Refrain*



Enclosed is a general offering envelope for your convenience if you wish to mail in your offering.

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION



Crossing Over

By Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr.

(See Enclosed Sermon)

Exodus 14: 21-31

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

> 1. Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod; With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river; Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

- 2. On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray, We will walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day. *Refrain*
- 3. Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down; Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. Refrain