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# Exodus

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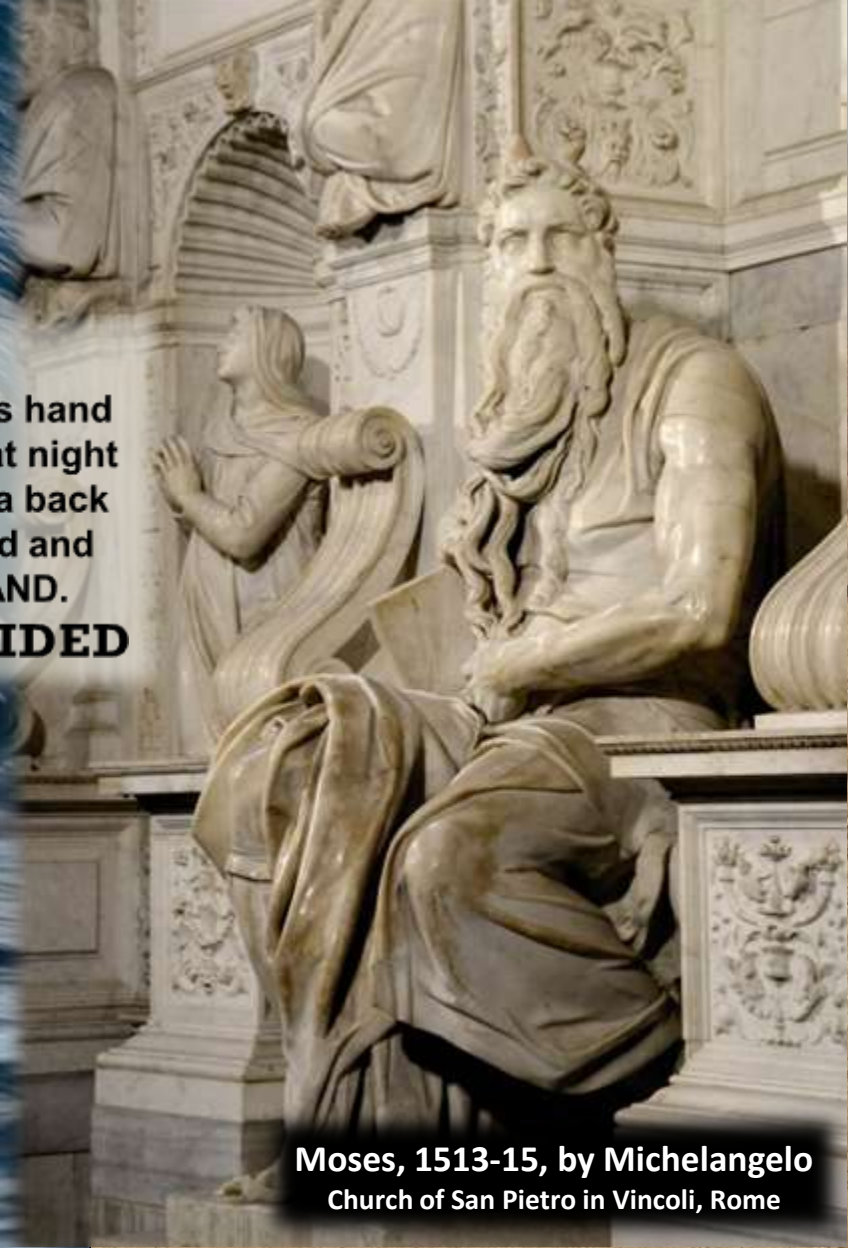
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Exodus 14:21

Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into DRY LAND.

**Waters were DIVIDED**



Moses, 1513-15, by Michelangelo  
Church of San Pietro in Vincoli, Rome



# Exodus

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Elim's 12 Springs & 70 Palms



Miracle Deliverance viewed by the Most Believers & Non-Believers *UNTIL*

Revelation 1:7 “Look, he is coming with the clouds,” and

“Every Eye Will See HIM”



# Happy New Year

Not certain

Yet this video seems  
to capture a little  
of this lesson on

***No Turning Back***



- Therapist: How's the  
year ending so far?  
- Me:



# Exodus



Pharaoh's Army Engulfed by the Red Sea, 1900  
by Frederick Arthur Bridgman



A dramatic scene of Moses parting the Red Sea. Moses, with a long white beard and wearing a red and white robe, stands on the left, his right arm raised towards the sea. The sea is dark and turbulent, with a bright blue lightning bolt striking down into the water. The sky is dark and stormy. The scene is framed by a rough, golden-brown border, suggesting a stone or rock frame.

Key Verse Exodus 14:21

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over the sea, and all that night  
the LORD drove the sea back  
with a strong east wind and  
turned it into DRY land.

**Waters were DIVIDED**



Alternate Title

# Greatest Sea Crossing

on Dry Ground

Middle of the NIGHT



Alternate Title #2

**Yikes!**

**Egyptians Are Coming**

and Mr. Pharaoh is  
*really* ticked off!

Alternate Title #3

# Nada, None ... No Turning Back

Just like Israel ... there are some  
Rivers & Seas ... when once crossed

**NO TURNING BACK**





Hard story on our hearts

Israel's lack of faith is **ASTOUNDING**

How Pharaoh could FAIL to see

God's Hand is as **ASTOUNDING!**

Reminds of a quote



$$-dx^2 - dy^2 - dz^2$$

$$-m^2$$

$$\left( \frac{m u_i}{\sqrt{1-m^2}} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{m u_i}{\sqrt{1-m^2}} \right) \text{ Impuls}$$

$$\left( m + \frac{1}{2} m u^2, m u_i \right)$$

$$\left( m \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-m^2}} - 1 \right) \right) \text{ Kin. Energy}$$

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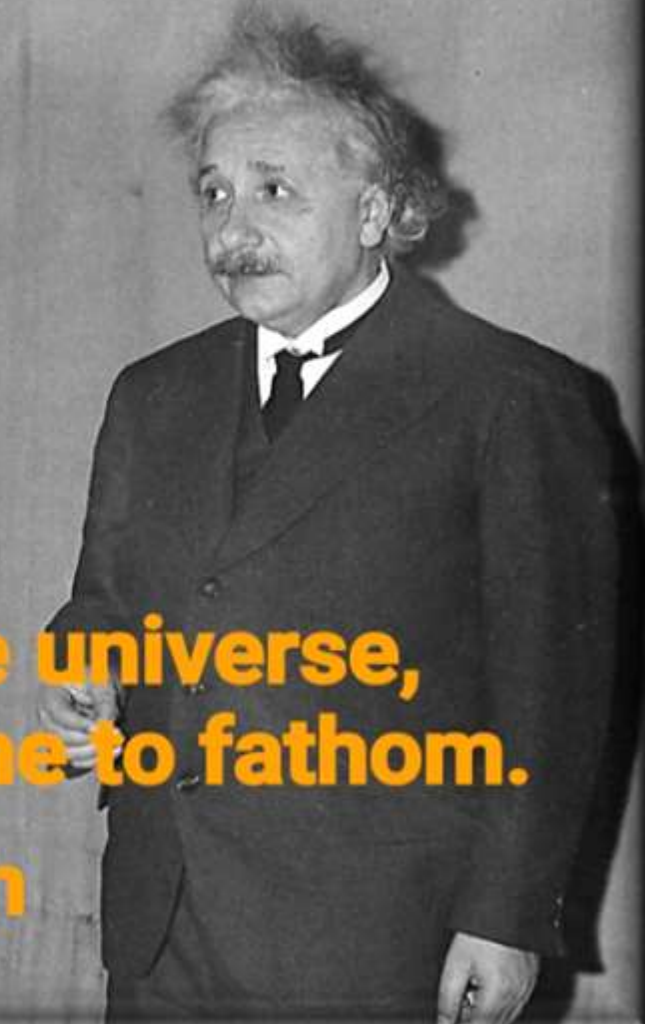
$$\sum \frac{u_i}{\sqrt{1-m^2}} = \frac{2v}{\sqrt{1-m^2} \sqrt{1-v^2}}$$

$$\text{Hyp. } \sum \mathcal{L}_v = \sum \mathcal{L}_v \text{ (unclear)}$$

$$\sum \mathcal{L} = \sum \mathcal{L}_0 \text{ (unclear)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_v = m u_v \text{ (unclear)}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + m \mathcal{L}_v \text{ (unclear)}$$



**Of all the mysteries in the universe, people are the hardest for me to fathom.**

**Albert Einstein**



Hard story on our hearts  
Israel's lack of faith is **ASTOUNDING**  
or ... said in another way

**FEAR – Intimidates**

**Oppression – Crushes Souls**

From SLAVE to FREE People

From SLAVE to TOTAL Independence

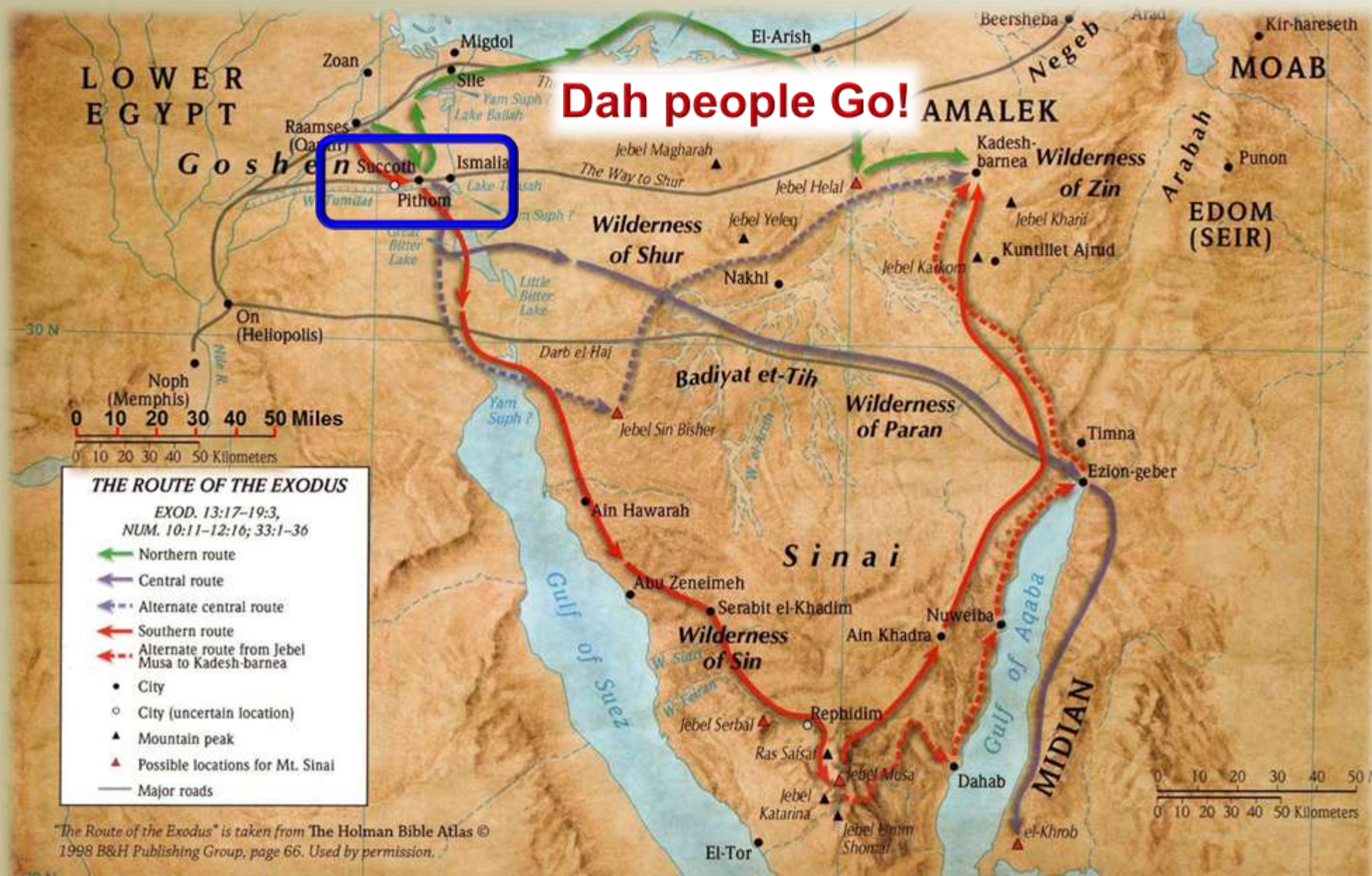
From SLAVE to the WILDERNESS

This was a journey for the COURAGEOUS

***with No Turning Back***



# Dah people Go! AMALEK



**THE ROUTE OF THE EXODUS**  
 EXOD. 13:17-19:3,  
 NUM. 10:11-12:16; 33:1-36

- ➔ Northern route
- ➔ Central route
- ➔ Alternate central route
- ➔ Southern route
- ➔ Alternate route from Jebel Musa to Kadesh-barnea
- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak
- ▲ Possible locations for Mt. Sinai
- Major roads

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We left Israel in Succoth  
30 miles SW of Rameses  
Exodus 12:37

says 600,000 men  
*not counting the  
women, children, others*

Ex. 14:2 clearly says they  
“**camped at Pi Hahiroth**”

Unfortunately, etymology of  
“Pi Hahiroth” is a mystery

location **STILL** a mystery

Ex. 14:2 “**Opposite  
Baal Zephon**” meaning  
“Lord of the North”

Consensus North part of Gulf of Suez, likely where Better Lakes are today



## **Exodus 14 links back to Genesis 50**

**where Joseph wanted to be buried at home**

**One of the more outstanding O.T. passages**

**19 But Joseph said to them ...**

**20 You intended to harm me,  
but God intended it for good  
to accomplish what is now being done....**

**22-23 Joseph stayed in Egypt.... lived 110 years....**

**24 Then Joseph said to his brothers, “I am about to die.**

**But God will surely come to your aid and  
take you up out of this land  
to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.”**





## Genesis 50:25

**25** And Joseph made the Israelites swear an OATH and said,  
“God will surely come to your aid, and  
then you must **CARRY MY BONES UP FROM THIS PLACE.**”

**26** So Joseph died at the age of a 110.

In Book of Joshua,  
after the conquest,  
Joseph was buried in Shechem



Tomb of Joseph at Shechem, 1839, by David Roberts

After more on the Passover ...  
grabbing the bones of Joseph ...  
dedicating their firstborn in Exodus 13:1-16 ...

Exodus 13:17 ... God led by

**Pillar of Cloud by Day**

**Pillar of Fire by Night**

NOT the coastal route through the land of Philistines  
But they go south ...

Exodus 13:20, **And they moved on from Succoth and  
encamped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness.**

**Etham** means “solid or enduring”

***Want GREAT detail?—GO to Numbers 33 for every stop***





Numbers 33 relates a LOT more on our travels today

<sup>2</sup> At the LORD's command, Moses recorded the stages in their journey ...

<sup>3-4</sup> The Israelites set out from Rameses ...

They marched out defiantly in full view of all the Egyptians, who were burying all their firstborn....

<sup>5</sup> The Israelites left Rameses and camped at Sukkoth.

<sup>6</sup> They left Sukkoth and camped at Etham, on the edge of the desert.

<sup>7</sup> They left Etham, turned back to Pi Hahiroth, to the east of Baal Zephon, and camped near Migdol.

<sup>8</sup> They left **Pi Hahiroth** and passed through the SEA into the desert,

... traveled for three days ... camped at Marah ...

then to Elim's 12 springs & 70 Palms



Term for “*Red Sea*” is not in Chap. 14, LOOK *SEE*

What term us used for *SEA—see? ... See the Sea*

14:2, “Tell the Israelites to turn back and encamp near Pi Hahiroth, between Migdol and *the SEA*.”

Hebrew word: *hay-yam* = *the SEA* – “*yam*” is “*SEA*”

Same word in 14:16, where Moses raised his staff ... over *the sea* to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through *the sea* on dry ground.

Same in 14:21, Then Moses stretched out his hand over *the SEA*, and all that night the LORD drove *the SEA* back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided ...

“*Red Sea*” first appears in Exodus 10:19 and

God reminds Joshua of crossing “*Red Sea*” in Joshua 24:6-7 and how God engulfed their Egyptian hunters

They camped at *Pi Hahiroth* – then crossed the *Red Sea—look see*





# “Let my people go”

“Red Sea” translates the Hebrew **Yam Suph**

**Yam Suph** – literally “**Sea Red**” Yam = sea  
Suph = red

**Red Sea** is huge ... over 1,400 miles long ...

Compare the size of **Texas**

**Yam Suph** is a woolly seaweed tossed ashore

**Pi Hahiroth** = could mean “**where reeds grow**”  
some then refer to “**Reed Sea**”

Greeks called it “**Red Sea**” – *origin uncertain*

Some think because of the “**red**” mountains on  
western shore ... or red coral in its salty sea

Obviously,

Hebrews did not cross 200-mile-width part of **Red Sea**



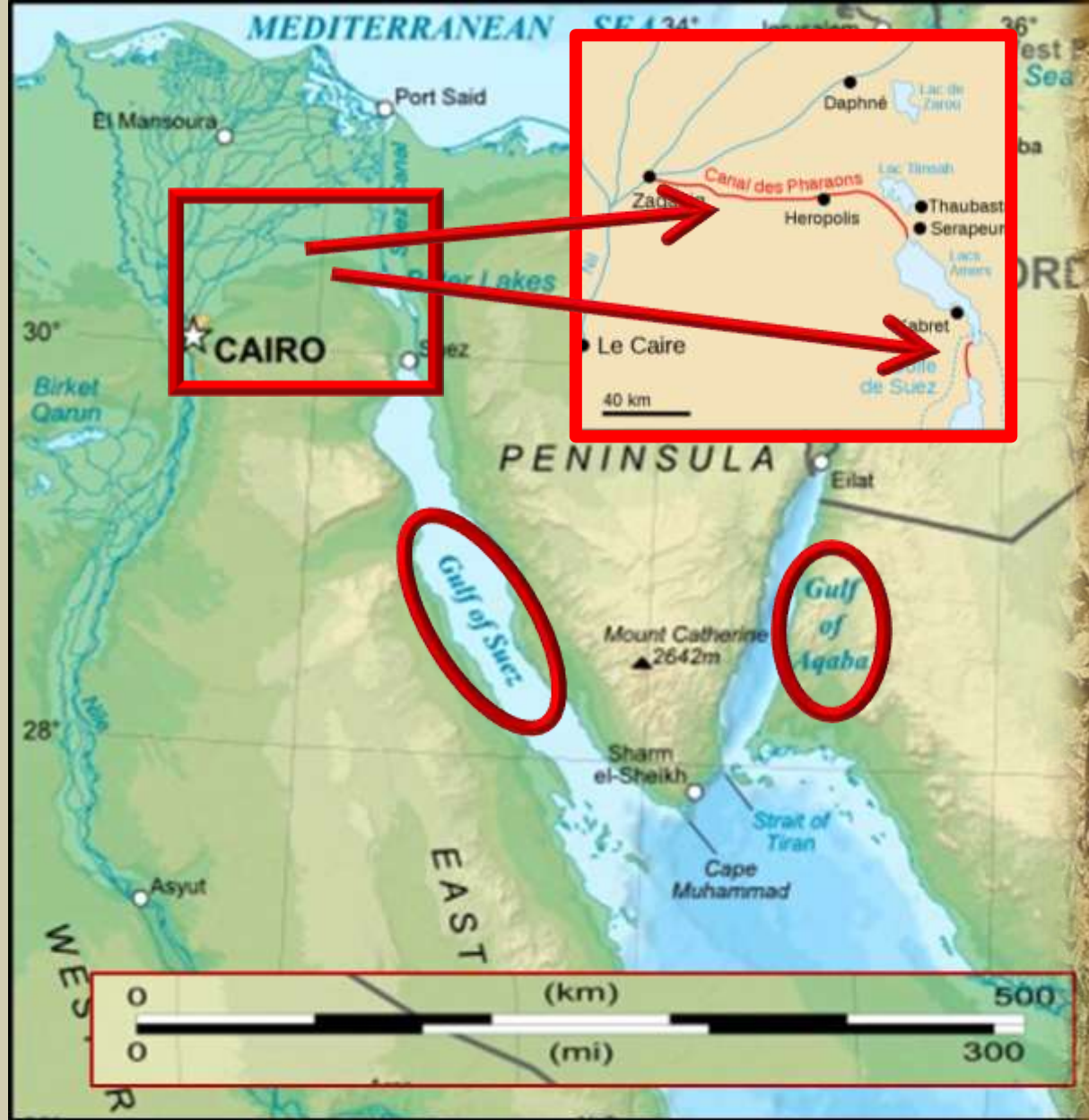
Here is a closer look  
Gulf of Suez on left

Gulf of Aquba on right

After Alexander the Great  
died, his General Ptolemy  
inherited Egypt and his  
descendants made a canal  
from Bitter Lakes to Suez

There is some reference, too,  
to ancient pharaohs building  
canals c. **1800 B.C.!**

Obviously then, this makes  
discerning the miraculously  
crossing more mysterious

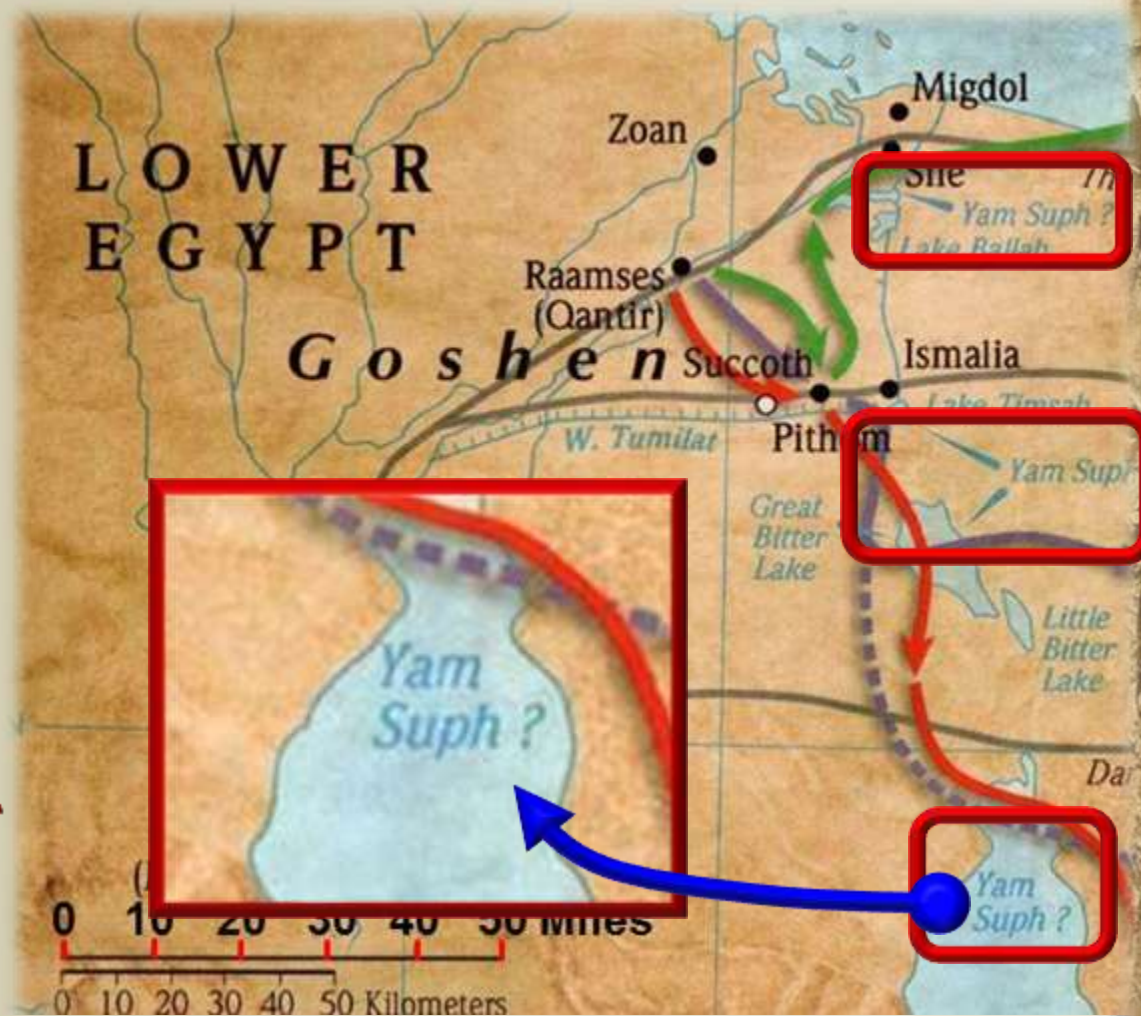




O.T. term for “Red Sea” is not in Chap. 14  
*Yam Suph* – “Red Sea” appears 23x in O.T.

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| <u>1. Exodus 10:19</u>     | <u>12. Deut. 11:4</u>                |
| <u>2. Exodus 13:18</u>     | <u>13. Joshua 2:10</u>               |
| <u>3. Exodus 15:4</u>      | <u>14. Joshua 4:23</u>               |
| <u>4. Exodus 15:22</u>     | <u>15. Joshua 24:6</u>               |
| <u>5. Exodus 23:31</u>     | <u>16. 1 Kings 9:26</u>              |
| <u>6. Numbers 14:25</u>    | <u>17. Jeremiah 49:21</u>            |
| <u>7. Numbers 21:4</u>     | <u>18 &amp; 19. Psalms 106:7-9</u>   |
| <u>8. Numbers 33:10-11</u> | <u>20. Psalms 106:22</u>             |
| <u>9. Deut. 1:1</u>        | <u>21 &amp; 22. Psalms 136:13-15</u> |
| <u>10. Deut. 1:40</u>      | <u>23. Nehemiah 9:9</u>              |
| <u>11. Deut. 2:1</u>       |                                      |

Your map helps a lot  
Yet there is confusion, or  
simply—***No One KNOWS***



1st **Red Sea** / *Yam Suph*: Ex. 10:19

8th Plague of Locusts in 10:1-20

God drives the locust out to  
*Yam Suph*, to the **Red Sea**

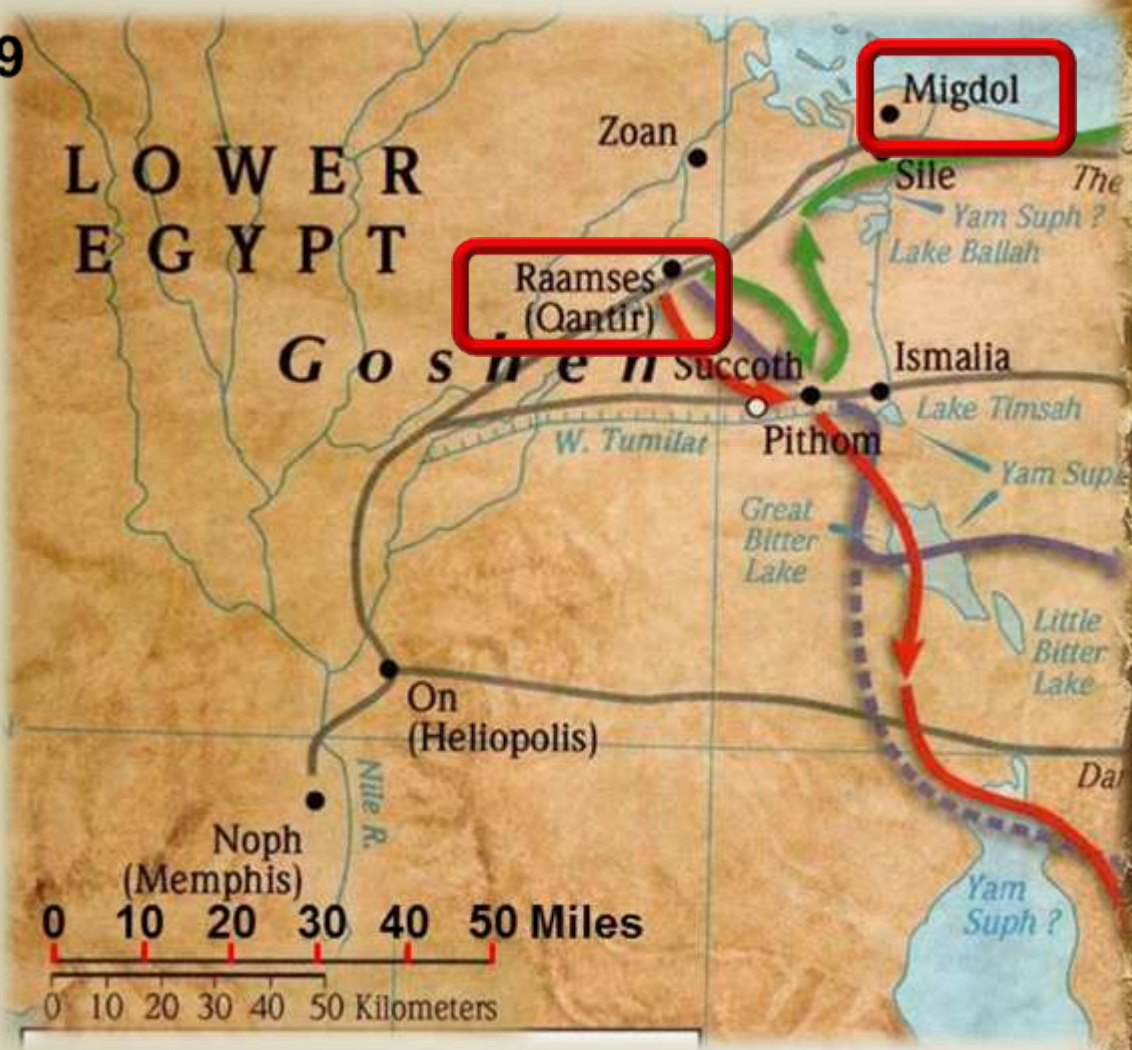
Pharaoh is in Rameses ... and  
Hebrews leave from Rameses

Where are the locusts sent?

Ex. 14:2, "Tell the Israelites to  
turn back and encamp  
near Pi Hahiroth, between  
Migdol and the **SEA**."

Looking at this Migdol ....

Harder—making the "sea" the Mediterranean and no sense





Ex. 14:2 they are at **Pi Hahiroth**

In Numbers 33:8, very clearly they are in **Pi Hahiroth** and ...

Place of “where reeds grow”

Likely that **Pi Hahiroth** is near North of Suez today ...

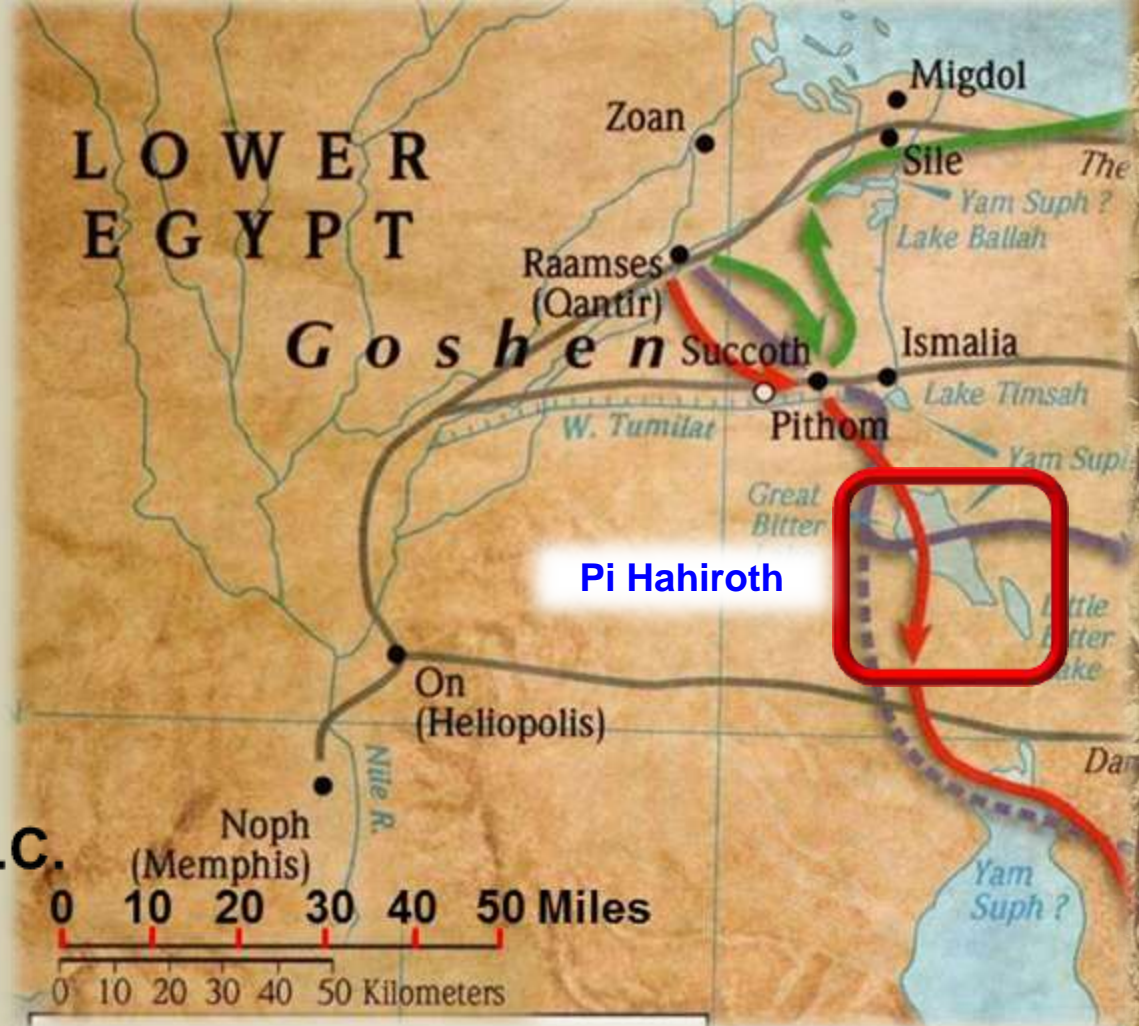
importantly ... they leave from **Pi Hahiroth** to cross the **Red Sea**

Likely, the TIP of Gulf of Suez extended more NORTH in 1447 B.C.

**Red Sea that God PARTED**

they walked on dry ground

**Between walls of water ... at night**



**14:3, Pharaoh will think, “The Israelites are wandering around the land in confusion, hemmed in by the desert.”**

**14:4, I will harden Pharaoh’s heart**

**14:5-10, Pharaoh and all, “What have we done?”**

**600 of best chariots and other chariots ...**

**Pharaoh catches up with the Israelites ...**







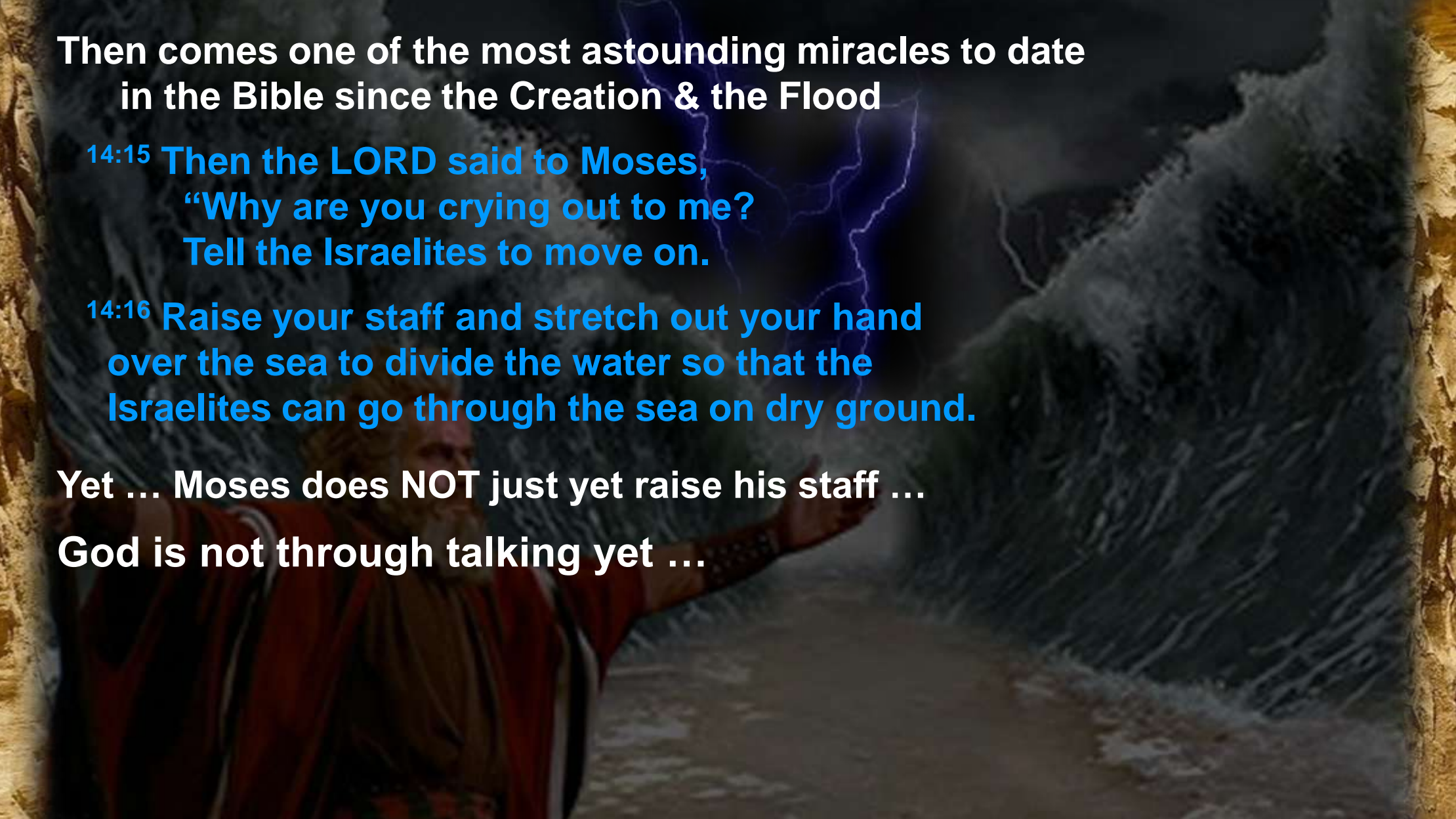
**See all this ... the former slaves fear for their lives**

**<sup>13</sup> Moses answered the people,  
"Do not be afraid.  
Stand firm and you will see the deliverance  
the LORD will bring you today.**

**The Egyptians you see today  
you will never see again.**

**<sup>14</sup> The LORD will fight for you;  
you need only to be still."**

**That is GOOD NEWS ... hope it is TRUE**



**Then comes one of the most astounding miracles to date  
in the Bible since the Creation & the Flood**

**14:15 Then the LORD said to Moses,  
“Why are you crying out to me?  
Tell the Israelites to move on.**

**14:16 Raise your staff and stretch out your hand  
over the sea to divide the water so that the  
Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground.**

**Yet ... Moses does NOT just yet raise his staff ...**

**God is not through talking yet ...**



**God continues ...**

**14:17 I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them. And I will gain glory through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen.**

**18 The Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I gain glory through Pharaoh, his chariots and his horsemen.”**

***GLORY!?!***

**So the EGYPTIANS will *KNOW* ...**

**HOW? ... when Pharaoh's army is**

**DROWNED!**

**STILL ... before Moses lifts his staff**

**<sup>19</sup> Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them.**

**The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them,**

**<sup>20</sup> coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel.**

**Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side;**

**so neither went near the other all night long.**

**Ahhh ... see the writer, Moses, artfully penning the narrative**



Cecil B. DeMille (1881-1959)

Perhaps the greatest director of his generation

Cut his teeth on making epics

He made 62 silent films to 1929

Including a silent *Ten Commandments* in 1923

*King of Kings* in 1927 ... a grand epic on the life of Christ

- 2.5 hours ... cost \$1.5m in 1927!

29 more sound movies to 1956 ... including these

*The Sign of the Cross* - 1932

*Samson and Delilah* - 1949

*Cleopatra* - 1934

*Greatest Show on Earth* - 1952

*The Crusades* - 1935

*Ten Commandments* - 1956



Cecil B. DeMille  
in 1937

Cecil B. DeMille filmed in Egypt & Sinai

In November, 1954, filming the Exodus in Egypt

DeMille (73) climbed a 107-foot ladder to the top of the massive Rameses set—had **heart attack**

Ignoring his doctor's orders, DeMille was back directing the film within a week.

DeMille completed the film ... though his health declined

And he had several more heart attacks

**Ten Commandments** was his last

**Ten Commandments**

hit theaters in 1956

won Academy Award for Special Effects



Cecil B. DeMille  
in 1952





Now notice ...

something **impossible** to portray ... even in a movie of epic scale

**21** Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,  
and **ALL THAT NIGHT** the LORD drove the sea back  
with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land.

The Waters were DIVIDED,

**22** and the Israelites went through the sea on Dry Ground,  
with a **WALL OF WATER** on their **RIGHT** and on their **LEFT**.

Did you see **“ALL THAT NIGHT”**?

That was a mighty wind ... and those were Mighty Walls

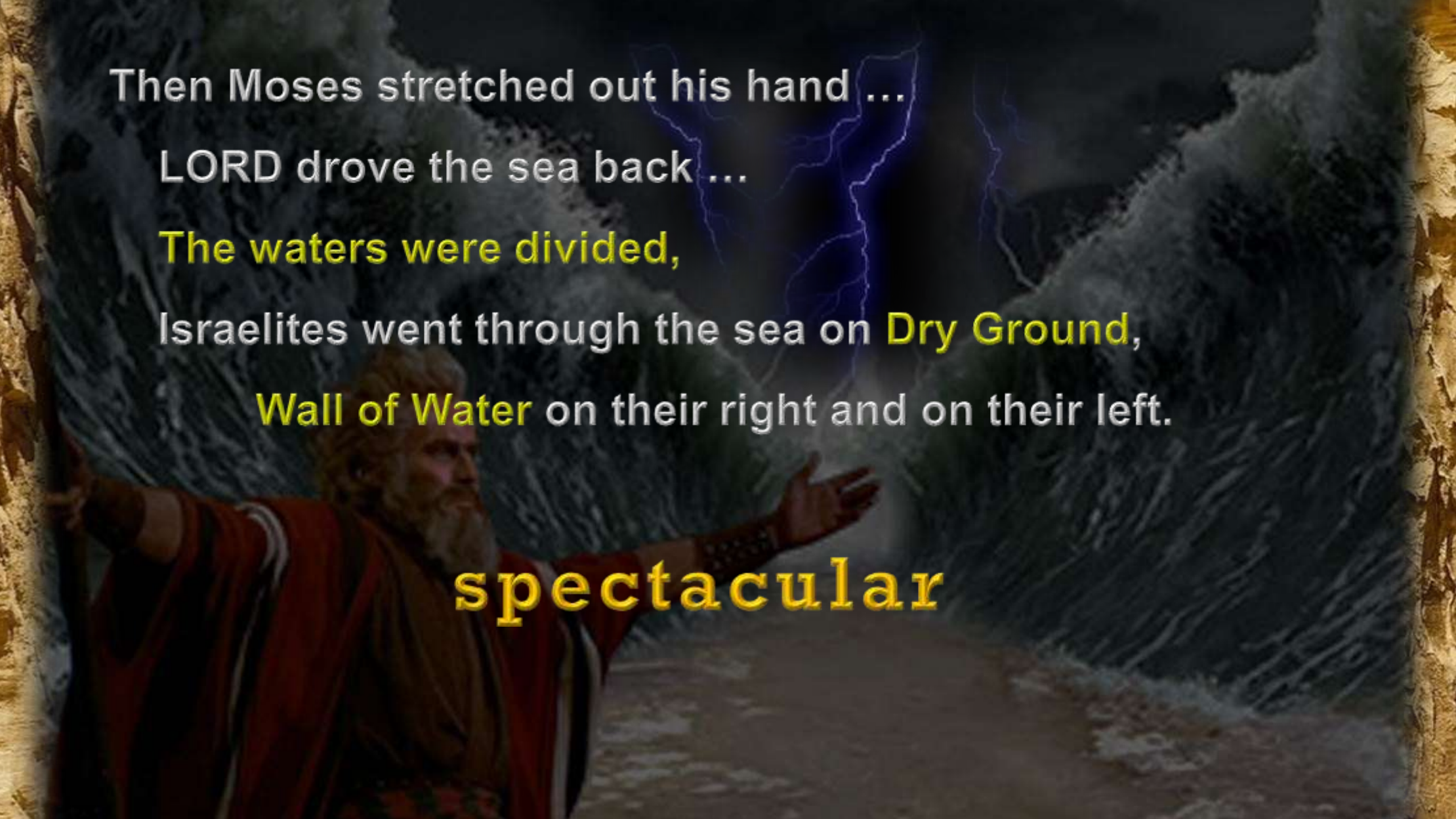
This was no Prairie Pond ... or Village Creek

**they went at NIGHT**

*spectacular*





A dramatic scene of Moses parting the Red Sea. Moses, with a long white beard and wearing a red robe, stands on the left, his right arm raised and hand flat against a golden pillar. The sea is split into two channels, with high, dark, turbulent walls of water on either side. A bright blue lightning bolt strikes the water in the distance. The sky is dark and stormy.

Then Moses stretched out his hand ...

LORD drove the sea back ...

The waters were divided,

Israelites went through the sea on **Dry Ground,**

**Wall of Water** on their right and on their left.

**spectacular**

**SOMEHOW ... God lifted the Gate of Passage**

***SOMEHOW ... the Pillar of Fire was still there ...  
and God allowed the Egyptians through***

**14:23 The Egyptians pursued them,  
and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and  
horsemen followed them into the sea.**

**14:24 During the last watch of the night  
the LORD looked down from the  
pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army  
and threw it into confusion.**

**Amazing ... God toying ... playing**



*Now hear this ...*

**<sup>25</sup> God jammed the wheels of their chariots  
so that they had difficulty driving.  
And the Egyptians said,  
“Let’s get away from the Israelites!  
The LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.”**

**It’s HARD to follow an insane Pharaoh**

**Hard to obey a crazy leader**

**Hard to go ...**

**Against God**

**While the Egyptians struggle ... and wonder**

**14:26 Then the LORD said to Moses,**

**“Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians....”**

**27 Moses stretched out his hand over the sea,  
and at daybreak the sea went back to its place.**

**The Egyptians ... the LORD swept them into the sea.**

**28 The water flowed back & covered ... entire army of Pharaoh....**

**None Survived**



# Great Deliverance

**30 That day the LORD saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore.**

**31 And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the LORD displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.**

**Over 100x in the Old Testament**

**“Yahweh ... the one who brought you  
up from the land of Egypt,  
out of the House of Bondage”**

***Oh, Happy Day ... Oh, Happy Day***

**Yet, there are critics ... who scrutinize and doubt**

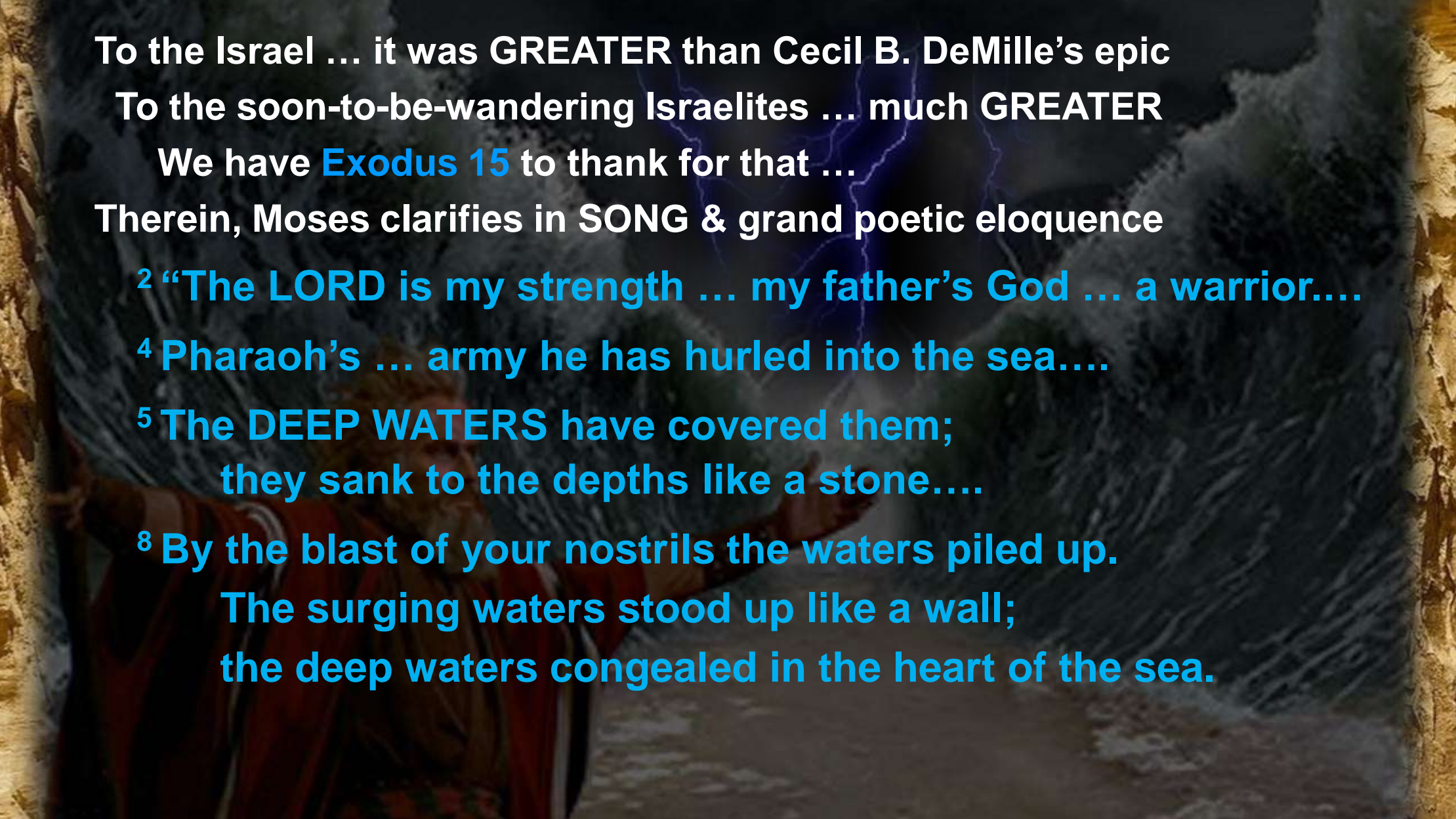
**We, today, have a choice to make ...**

**And I suspect God knew this**

**Is the Exodus crossing**

**REALLY *that* spectacular?**





To the Israel ... it was **GREATER** than Cecil B. DeMille's epic  
To the soon-to-be-wandering Israelites ... much **GREATER**  
We have **Exodus 15** to thank for that ...  
Therein, Moses clarifies in **SONG** & grand poetic eloquence

**<sup>2</sup> “The LORD is my strength ... my father's God ... a warrior....**

**<sup>4</sup> Pharaoh's ... army he has hurled into the sea....**

**<sup>5</sup> The DEEP WATERS have covered them;  
they sank to the depths like a stone....**

**<sup>8</sup> By the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up.  
The surging waters stood up like a wall;  
the deep waters congealed in the heart of the sea.**

There is no question left ... if you believe the Bible ...

Clarity is driven home ...

See Exodus 15 for the Songs of Moses & Miriam

**Spectacular Deliverance**  
*with* **Devastating Destruction**

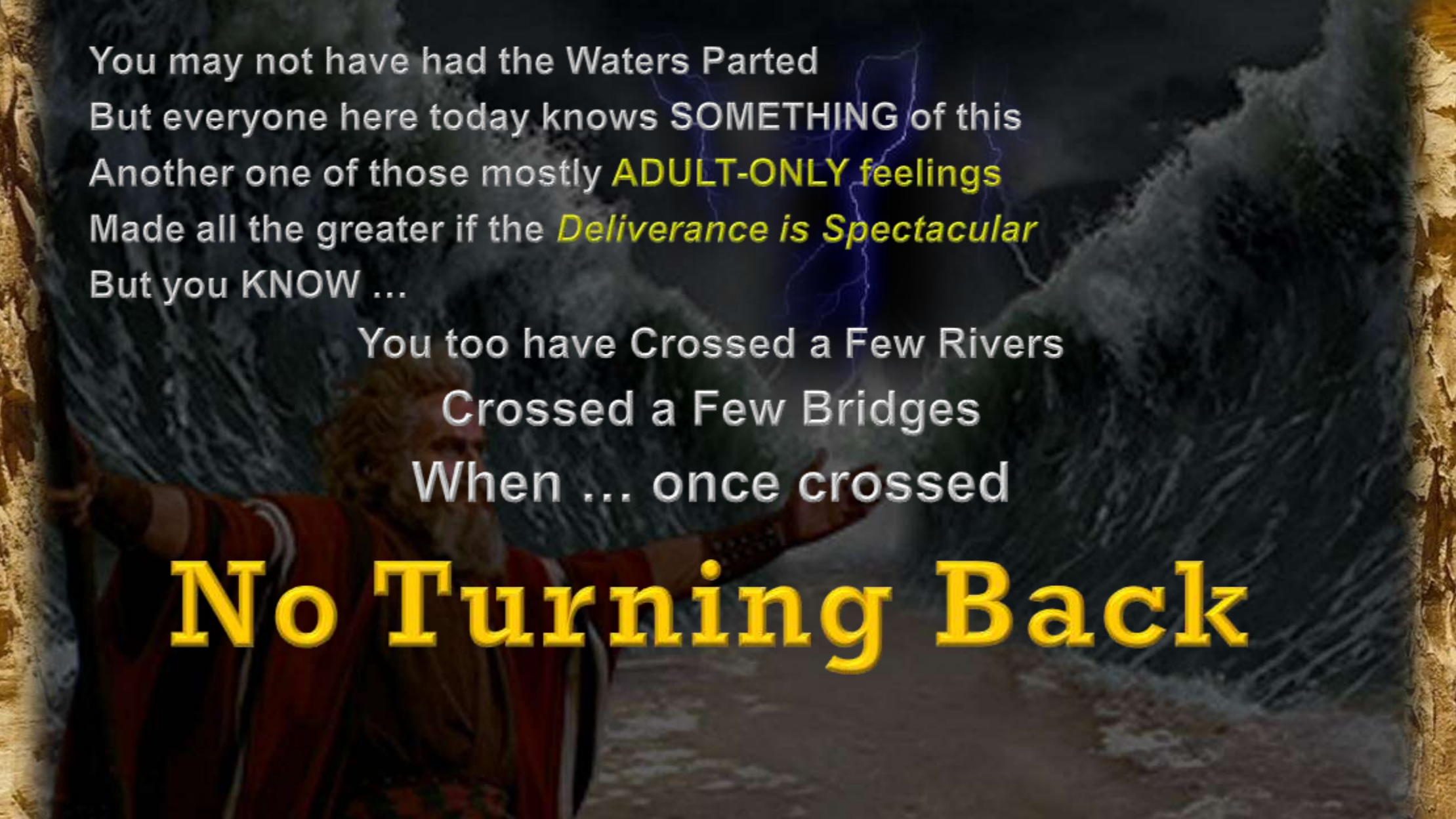
Critical, Pivotal Point in Israel's History

**WHY?**

Cause there is **NO ... NADA ... NONE**

**NO TURNING BACK**



A dramatic scene with a man in a red robe pointing towards a stormy sea with lightning. The man is in the foreground, wearing a red robe with a white sash, pointing his right hand towards the sea. The sea is dark and turbulent, with white-capped waves. A bright blue lightning bolt strikes the water in the distance. The sky is dark and cloudy. The overall mood is intense and awe-inspiring.

You may not have had the Waters Parted  
But everyone here today knows SOMETHING of this  
Another one of those mostly **ADULT-ONLY** feelings  
Made all the greater if the *Deliverance is Spectacular*  
But you KNOW ...

You too have Crossed a Few Rivers  
Crossed a Few Bridges  
When ... once crossed

**No Turning Back**

Easy to see are those “rights of passage” in life

*First* Car ... *First* Love ... *First* Job ... *First* Gun ...

When you got Married ... .. or Divorced ...

When you had a Death of a Loved One ...

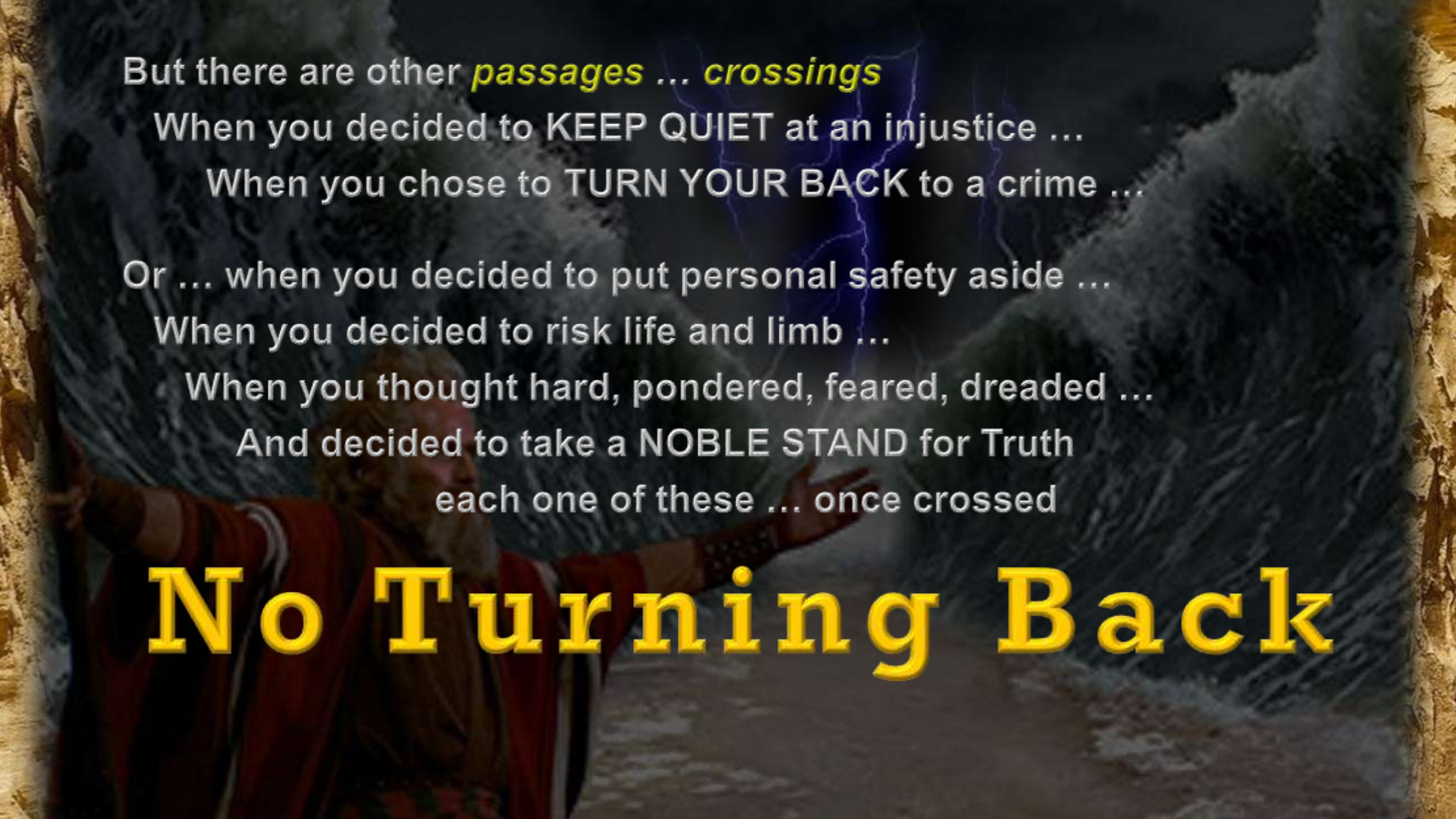
Worst ones ... don't they always come in **DARK HOURS?**

Where the midnight of *grief* crackles your bones?

Or ... perhaps ... when you **SAVED** a life, as a soldier  
each one of these ... once crossed

**No Turning Back**





But there are other *passages ... crossings*

When you decided to KEEP QUIET at an injustice ...

When you chose to TURN YOUR BACK to a crime ...

Or ... when you decided to put personal safety aside ...

When you decided to risk life and limb ...

When you thought hard, pondered, feared, dreaded ...

And decided to take a NOBLE STAND for Truth

each one of these ... once crossed

# No Turning Back

And there are precious *passages ... crossings*

When you decided to commit ... promise ...

You decided ... to love ... to marry ...

To have kids ... to have a family ...

Therein ... you said ... to your *wife* ... to your *husband* ...

This is a one-way trip ...

You said you *I love YOU* ... and *therefore there was*

# No Turning Back





For Israel ... in **Spectacular Deliverance**

I'll bet ... on the road from Succoth to Migdol to Pi Hahiroth

I just *know* there were several who turned back

I just *know* there were a few who said, "Too Risky!"

And at the Red Sea ... yes, several SAID THAT ...

However ... once Moses raised his staff

Once God sent his angel to Open the Sea ...

once embarked upon ... once crossed

**No Turning Back**

Most of all ...

That ominous time came for Christ ...

in the Garden of Gethsemane

*If it be your will ...*

*take this cup from me*

Christ chose to go forth ...

# No Turning Back





In this **Spectacular Deliverance** ...

You can BELIEVE it ... or NOT ...

In fact ... and in truth ... and with certainty

This foreshadows the greater deliverance of Christ

If one passes from this life **NOT believing** in Christ ...

**No Turning Back**

Yet if one accepts Christ ... believes in CHRIST—then

You have an inheritance in a more **Spectacular Deliverance**

with your **Eternal Life** therein and therefore, there is

**No Turning Back**

