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Review

When the Events in Exodus Occurred

Abraham
2000 B.C.

1600 B.C.

The Exodus
1440 B.C.

David
1000 B.C.



Expect God's Work

Exodus 14

14:1-9

- The locations Pi-hahiroth, Migdol, and Baal-zephon are unknown.



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Expect God's Work

Exodus 14



Expect God's Work

Exodus 14

Exodus 14:10-11 (HCSB)

10 As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up and saw the Egyptians coming after them. Then the Israelites were terrified and cried out to the Lord for help.

11 They said to Moses: "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you took us to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt?"

Accept God's Deliverance

Exodus 14:15-31

Exodus 14:15-17 The Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to Me? Tell the Israelites to break camp.

16 As for you, lift up your staff, stretch out your hand over the sea, and divide it so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground.

17 I am going to harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them, and I will receive glory by means of Pharaoh, all his army, and his chariots and horsemen.

Accept God's Deliverance

Exodus 14:15-31

Exodus 14:29-31 But the Israelites had walked through the sea on dry ground, with the waters [like] a wall to them on their right and their left.

30 That day the Lord saved Israel from the power of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.

31 When Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord and believed in Him and in His servant Moses.

Chapter 4 Applications: Exodus 13-15

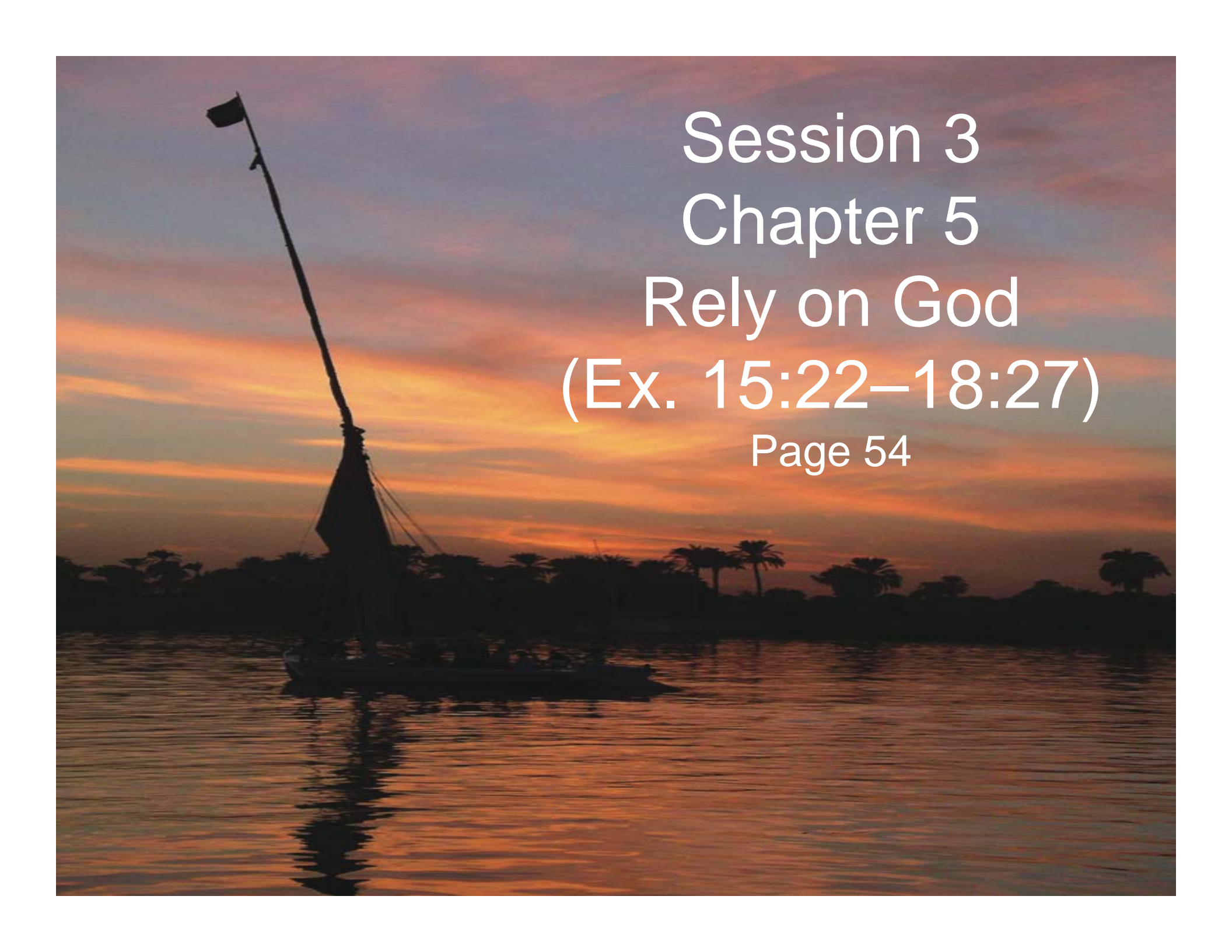
- 1. When we act with faith in God by accepting and obeying His instructions, we are acknowledging He is our God (12:21-28,51).**
- 2. Explaining to others what God has done for us is one way of acknowledging Him as our God (13:5-8,14-15).**

Chapter 4 Applications: Exodus 13-15

- 3. When we follow the guidance God provides, we are relying on Him and thereby acknowledging He is our God (13:20–14:4).**
- 4. If we still follow God when His instructions seem unusual or even dangerous, we are acknowledging He knows something we do not, which is a part of recognizing Him as our God (14:2-4).**

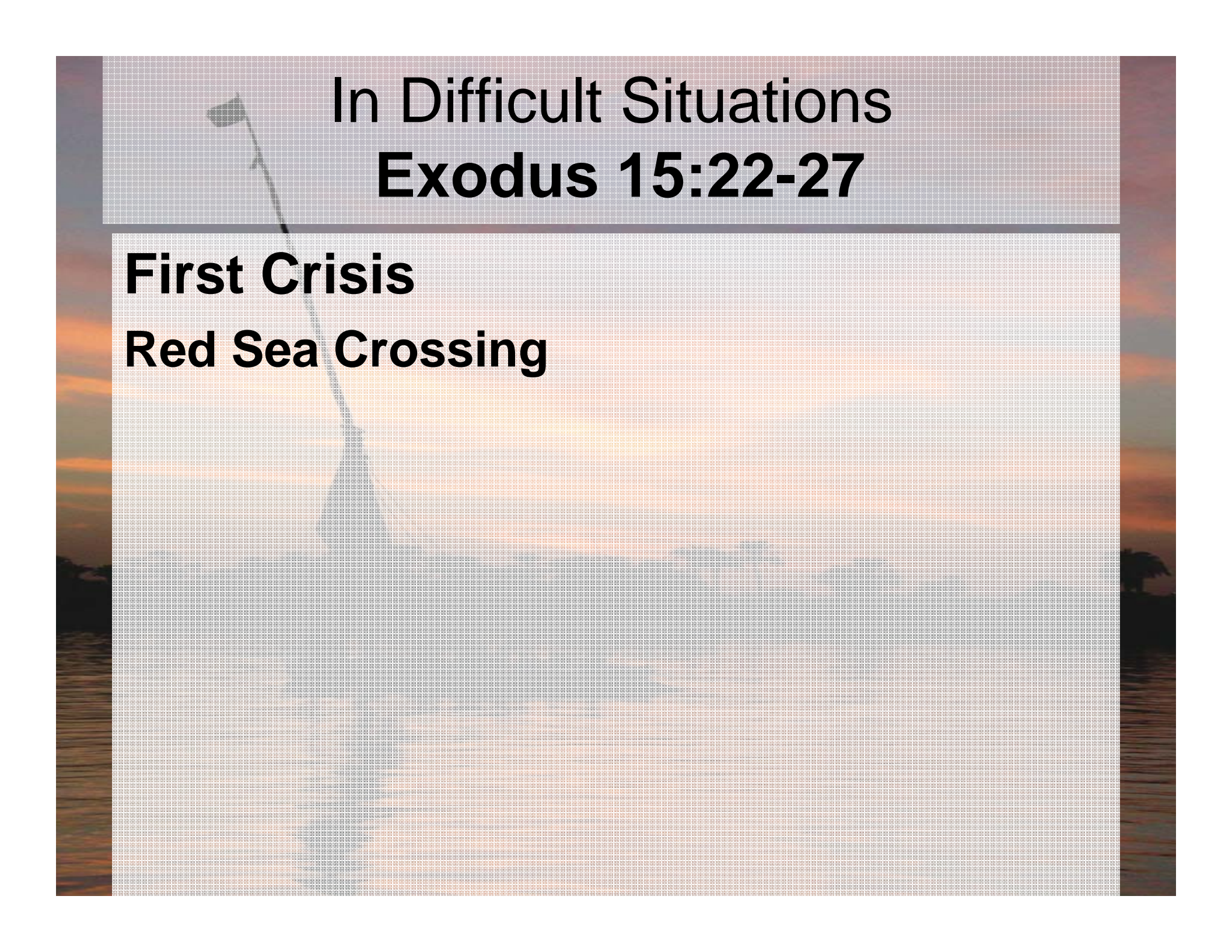
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- 5. When we wait expectantly for God's work, we are acknowledging He is our God (14:5-14).**
- 6. When we acknowledge God has delivered us from some difficulty, we have recognized Him as our God (14:15-31).**



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In Difficult Situations

Exodus 15:22-27

First Crisis

Red Sea Crossing

In Difficult Situations

Exodus 15:22-27

Second Crisis

Exodus 15:22-25 (HCSB)

22 Then Moses led Israel on from the Red Sea, and they went out to the Wilderness of Shur. They journeyed for three days in the wilderness without finding water.

23 They came to Marah, but they could not drink the water at Marah because it was bitter—that is why it was named Marah.

In Difficult Situations

Exodus 15:22-27

Second Crisis

Exodus 15:22-25 (HCSB)

24 The people grumbled to Moses, “What are we going to drink?”

25 So he **cried out to the Lord**, and the Lord showed him a tree. When he threw it into the water, the water became drinkable. He made a statute and ordinance for them at Marah and **He tested** them there.

For Daily Needs

Exodus 16

Third Crisis

Exodus 16:1

1 The entire Israelite community departed from Elim and came to the Wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had left the land of Egypt.

For Daily Needs

Exodus 16

Third Crisis

Exodus 16:2 The entire Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.

3 The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the Lord’s hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by pots of meat and ate all the bread we wanted. Instead, you brought us into this wilderness to make this whole assembly die of hunger!”

For Daily Needs

Exodus 16

Third Crisis

Exodus 16:4 Then the Lord said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. This way I will test them to see whether or not they will follow My instructions. 5 On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.”

For Daily Needs

Exodus 16

Third Crisis

God's response (16:4) was twofold. First, He would make it rain bread from heaven on the people to satisfy their needs, and second, He would give them specific instructions on the gathering of that bread so that He could test them.

For Daily Needs

Exodus 16

Third Crisis

Exodus 16:17 So the Israelites did this. Some gathered a lot, some a little. 18 When they measured it by quarts, the person who gathered a lot had no surplus, and the person who gathered a little had no shortage. Each gathered as much as he needed to eat. 19 Moses said to them, “No one is to let any of it remain until morning.” 20 But they didn’t listen to Moses; some people left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and smelled. Therefore Moses was angry with them.

In Dire Circumstances

Exodus 17

Fourth Crisis

Exodus 17:1 The entire Israelite community left the Wilderness of Sin, moving from one place to the next according to the Lord's command. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink.

2 So the people complained to Moses: "Give us water to drink." "Why are you complaining to me?" Moses replied to them. "Why are you testing the Lord?"

3 But the people thirsted there for water, and grumbled against Moses. They said, **"Why did you ever bring us out of Egypt to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?"**

In Dire Circumstances

Exodus 17

Fourth Crisis

Exodus 17:4 Then Moses cried out to the Lord, “What should I do with these people? In a little while they will stone me!”

5 The Lord answered Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you. Take the rod you struck the Nile with in your hand and go.

6 I am going to stand there in front of you on the rock at Horeb; when you hit the rock, water will come out of it and the people will drink.”

Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel.

Rely on God

Exodus 17

Fifth Crisis

Exodus 17: 8 At Rephidim, Amalek came and fought against Israel. 9 Moses said to Joshua, “Select some men for us, and go fight against Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the hilltop with God’s staff in my hand.” 10 Joshua did as Moses had told him, and fought against Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

Rely on God

Exodus 17

Fifth Crisis

Exodus 17:11 While Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, but whenever he put his hand down, Amalek prevailed. **12** When Moses' hands grew heavy, they took a stone and put [it] under him, and he sat down on it. Then Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other so that his hands remained steady until the sun went down. **13** So Joshua defeated Amalek and his army with the sword.

Extra

Rely on God

Exodus 17

Fifth Crisis

Exodus 17:14 The Lord then said to Moses, “Write this down on a scroll as a reminder and recite it to Joshua: I will completely blot out the memory of Amalek under heaven.”

15 And Moses built an altar and named it, “The Lord Is My Banner.”

16 He said, “Indeed, [my] hand is [lifted up] toward the Lord’s throne. The Lord will be at war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

Listening to Advise

Exodus 18

Exodus 18:5 Moses' father-in-law Jethro, along with Moses' wife and sons, came to him in the wilderness where he was camped at the mountain of God. 6 He sent word to Moses, "I, your father-in-law Jethro, am coming to you with your wife and her two sons."

Listening to Advise

Exodus 18

Exodus 18:7 So Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, bowed down, and then kissed him. They asked each other how they had been and went into the tent.

8 Moses recounted to his father-in-law all that the Lord had done to Pharaoh and the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the hardships that confronted them on the way, and how the Lord delivered them.

Listening to Advise

Exodus 18

Exodus 18:17 “What you’re doing is not good,” Moses’ father-in-law said to him. 18 “You will certainly wear out both yourself and these people who are with you, because the task is too heavy for you. You can’t do it alone. 19 Now listen to me; I will give you some advice, and God be with you. You be the one to represent the people before God and bring their cases to Him.

Extra

Application

Chapter 5

1. If we complain against God when we are in difficult situations, we are rebelling against Him and are showing our lack of faith instead of relying on Him (15:22-24).
2. We can rely on God in difficult situations because He takes care of us even when we complain and rebel against Him (15:25-27).

Application

Chapter 5

3. Because God is good and wants us to have what we need, He cares about us having daily supplies such as food; and we can rely on Him to help us (16:1-16).
4. We need to remember and celebrate how good God has been to us (16:31-34).
5. We can help others know God is good and that they can rely on Him to take care of them (16:31-34).

Application

Chapter 5

6. When God has helped us in previous similar situations, we should not have any question about whether we can rely on Him to take care of us (17:1-7).
7. When we face obstacles to serving or obeying God, we can rely on Him to take care of us, often by working through dedicated leaders (17:8-16).
8. We can rely on God to be there for us in situations so dire that seemingly they cannot be overcome (17:1-16).



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Obey God

Exodus 19

Mount Sinai

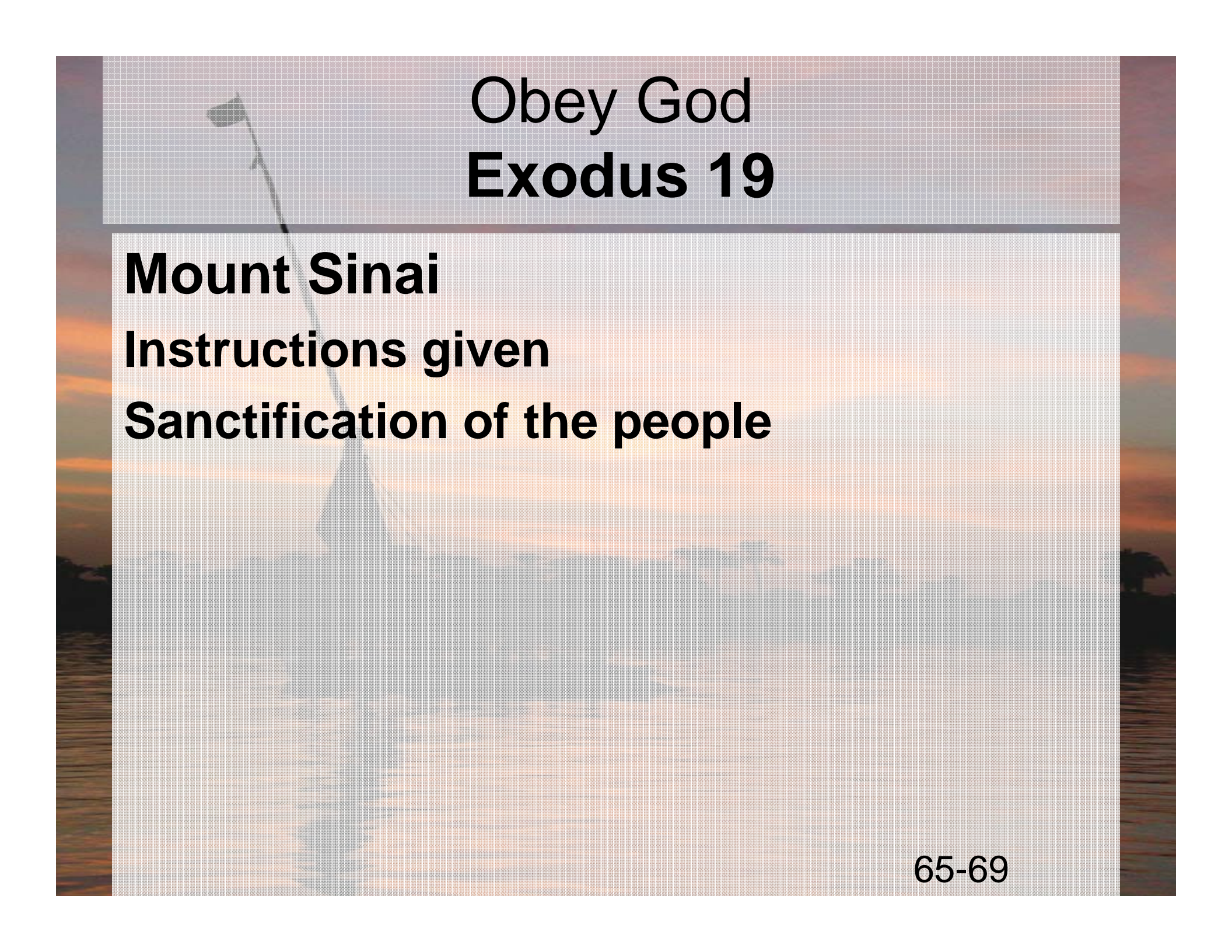
Exodus 19:2 After they departed from Rephidim, they entered the Wilderness of Sinai and camped in the wilderness, and Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

Obey God

Exodus 19

Mount Sinai

Exodus 19:3 Moses went up [the mountain] to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain: “This is what you must say to the house of Jacob, and explain to the Israelites:
4 You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to Me.



Obey God

Exodus 19

Mount Sinai

Instructions given

Sanctification of the people

Because He is God

Exodus 20

Law 1

2 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the place of slavery.

3 Do not have other gods besides Me.

Because He is God

Exodus 20

Law 2

4 Do not make an idol for yourself, whether in the shape of anything in the heavens above or on the earth below or in the waters under the earth.

Because He is God

Exodus 20

Law 3

7 Do not misuse the name of the Lord your God, because the Lord will punish anyone who misuses His name.

Because He is God

Exodus 20

Law 4

8 Remember to dedicate the Sabbath day:

9 You are to labor six days and do all your work,

Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

Law 5

12 Honor your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God is giving you

Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

Law 6 & 7

13 Do not murder.

14 Do not commit adultery.

Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

Law 8 & 9

15 Do not steal.

16 Do not give false testimony against your neighbor.

Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

Law 10

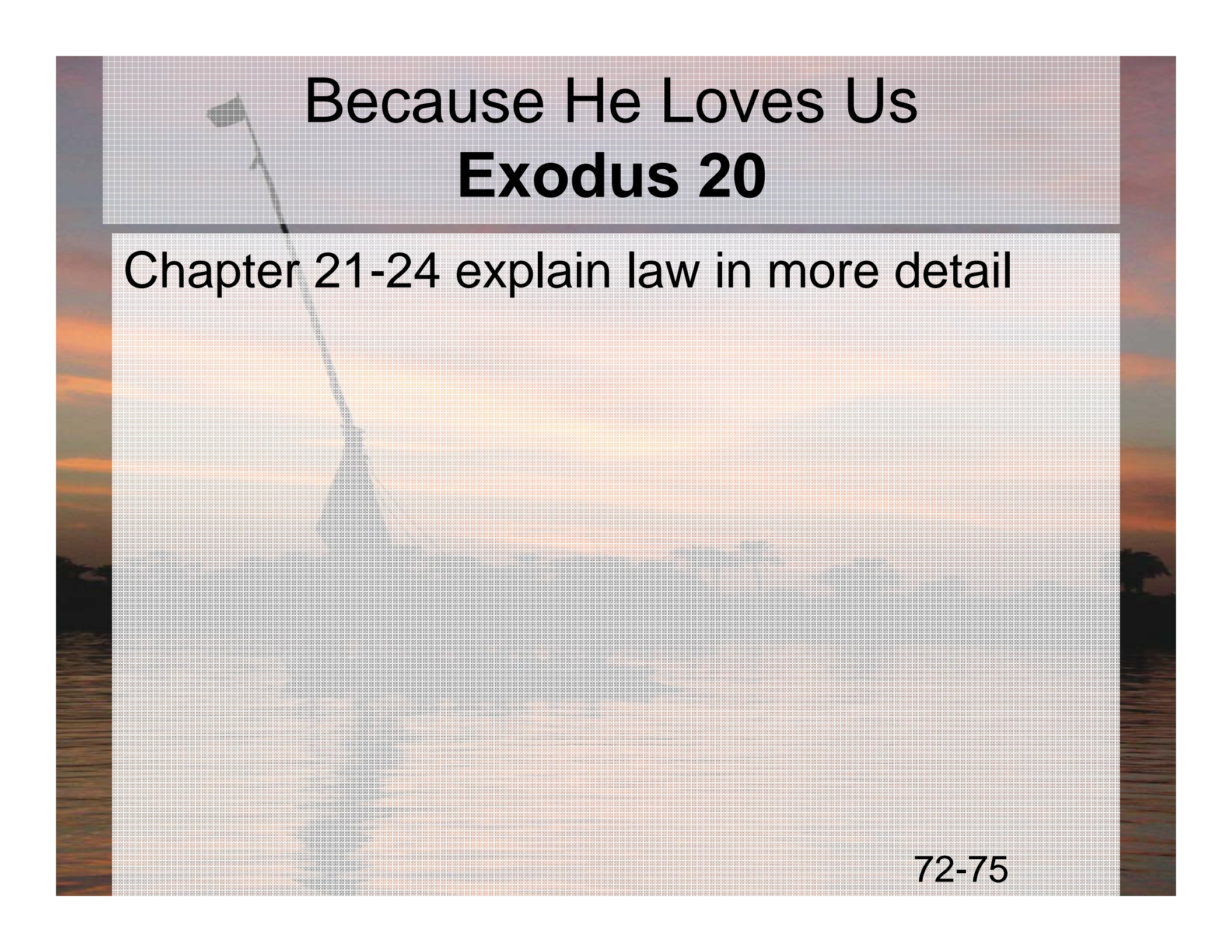
17 Do not covet your neighbor's house. Do not covet your neighbor's wife, his male or female slave, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

20:18-21. Explained:

The people reaffirmed their fear of God and desire for Moses to serve as their intermediary. Moses' function as mediator foreshadows Christ's mediation between us and God, except that Christ actually opened the way for us to approach God. Moses stood between the people and God.

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Because He Loves Us

Exodus 20

Chapter 21-24 explain law in more detail

Applications

Chapter 6

1. As those called to be God's people, we have a special relationship with Him and receive special blessings from Him, all of which is due to His grace alone (19:1-8).

2. Because of our relationship with God, we are to obey Him (19:5-8).

Applications

Chapter 6

3. We are to obey God by refusing to worship other gods, refusing to make idols to worship (even of God), and refusing to misuse God's name; we then will experience blessings inherent in such obedience (20:2-7).

4. We are to obey God by adopting the pattern of working and resting He established in creation; we then will experience blessings inherent in such a way of life (20:8-11).

Applications

Chapter 6

5. We are to obey God by honoring our parents; we and our parents then will experience blessings inherent in such a way of life, and we will contribute to having a stronger, more stable society (20:12).

6. We are to obey God by refraining from murder, adultery, stealing, lying, and coveting; and we will receive the blessings inherent in such behavior (20:13-17).

Applications

Chapter 6

7. When we obey God by refraining from murder, adultery, stealing, lying, and coveting, others—all of whom God loves and wants to bless—also benefit from our behavior (20:13-17).

8. When we obey God by keeping the Ten Commandments, we are giving testimony about His nature and character, what that demands of His people, and what His values are (20:2-17).



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