There's Water In "The Rock"

John 4:7-14 NKJV -

- ⁷ A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."
- ⁸ For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.
- ⁹Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.
- ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."
- ¹¹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? ¹² Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"
- ¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."
 - "There's gold in them there hills"
 - It set off thousands of men to the Black Hills of South Dakota
 - They broke laws, trespassed on other peoples property, and did what ever it took, because there was gold in the hills
 - ➤ When our desires supersede anything that may try to stop us, there is nothing that is impossible with God!!!
 - Law of the hungry
 - David at the temple
 - Jesus eating and picking corn on the Sabbath day
 - Man eating dust

Matthew 5:6 NASB - "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

- Our <u>hunger and thirsting for</u> the miraculous of God to take place in our lives will drive us to the place where <u>God can</u> work in us and through us.
- God is able to do abundantly above all that we could ask or think!!!!!!

Ephesians 3:20 NASB - Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us

Even when things look impossible to anyone else but God, keep looking up because your redemption draweth nigh!!!

Exodus 17:5-7 NASB – ⁵ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Pass before the people and take with you some of the elders of Israel; and take in your hand your staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ Then he named the place <u>Massah</u> (TEST or tested) and <u>Meribah</u> (QUARREL or contention) because of the quarrel of the sons of Israel, and because they <u>tested</u> (or tempted) the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us, or not?"

Exodus 13:21 NASB - And the Lord was going before them in a pillar of cloud by day to lead them on the way, and in a pillar of fire by night to give them light, so that they might travel by day and by night.

- This was a strait barren desert...
- What is a desert???
- <u>No</u> water Sand Rock Void of life Extreme heat Barren Leans toward violence (snakes, weather)
- The children of Israel were *not a Motel 6*
- But circumstances <u>do not limit God</u>
- God told Moses to use something that he was familiar with, his rod
- Told Moses to smite the rock
- Preparation for a miracle
- Water came forth for about 6 million people and all of their livestock also
- Vast block of granite approx. 15ft x 10ft x12ft
- Porous with holes and channels that only water could create
- In the desert God chose to use something that was dry and contained no liquid qualities whatsoever.
- If you crushed all of the rock in the world, you would get <u>no water</u> from it!
- From that *He created the miracle* that they needed
- Digging ditches in the desert does not make any sense –

THERE IS WATER IN THE ROCK!!! - THERE IS WATER IN THE ROCK!!!

• God took something that always *goes the way of least resistance*, and put it together *that is the epitome of hardness* and *worked a miracle*

Moses called the place **Massah** because they questioned God.

Massah- tempting the Lord......

- Deliverance out of Egypt
- Red Sea
- Food everyday from heaven
- Cloud by day, fire by night
- Quail (2 billion)

YET THEY STILL ASKED THE QUESTION "IS THE LORD AMONG US OR NOT?"

• Try to think of one time the Lord has ever let us down.

Hebrews 13:8 - Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, and forever.

Unbelief stops more miracles <u>from happening to you</u> than anything else!!!

Matthew 13:58 - And He did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.

• <u>Unbelief is</u> faith that God will <u>not do</u> what He said.

Revelation 21:8 - But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

• <u>The unbelieving & fearful</u> are listed <u>with all of the other sinners</u> on their way to hell

THERE IS WATER IN THE ROCK! – Just believe!

Daniel 3:12-25 - There are certain Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego; <u>these men, O kinq,</u> <u>have not paid due regard to you</u>. They <u>do not</u> serve your gods or worship the gold image which you have set up."

¹³ Then Nebuchadnezzar, in rage and fury, gave the command to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. So they brought these men before the king. ¹⁴ Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up? ¹⁵ Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?"

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. ¹⁷ If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. ¹⁸ But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

Saved in Fiery Trial

¹⁹ Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated. ²⁰ And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, and cast them into the burning fiery furnace. ²¹ Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. ²² Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. 23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. ²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." ²⁵ "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

CLOSE:

3 young men

- Only trained but <u>no experience</u>
- Thousands were bowing, and even their own friends
- Not budging
- Several chances to bow
- Not careful to answer thee
- God is able
- This is only *a proclamation of faith*, *but not actual faith*
- It is **easy to proclaim faith**, but harder to live it
- 7 times hotter 2500 degrees
- Killed the men that threw them in
- Bound by ropes going in
- Fire set them free from what had them bound
- 3 went in, but now there are 4!
- Revival came to the country because of their faith

What situation in your life had you convinced that there was no water?

- And was going to be no water, ever?
- Desert
- Rocks
- Doubt

One of The greatest weapon's **the devil can use against you** is to **tear your belief** in **the miraculous power of God** working in your life, **down**.

PRAISE TEAM:

- He can't destroy God -
- He can't destroy you -
- But if he can destroy your faith in God,
- he has neutralized both you & God

Fear & doubt is faith in the enemy!

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