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THE LORD IS MY BANNER

EXODUS 17:8-16 | REV. LITO VILLORIA

At Rephidim, the Amalekites raided the Israelites without provocation. Moses commissioned Joshua to choose men who would fight alongside him. With no question, Joshua obeyed with whoever men were able, with whatever weapons they had, and with a limited time of preparation. Moses assured Joshua that God's power and presence, represented by the staff, would give them victory (Exodus 17:8-10a).

While Joshua was on the battlefield, Moses went on the hill with Aaron and Hur. Whenever Moses held up the staff of God in his hand, the Israelites prevailed. Whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. When Moses grew weary, Aaron and Hur sat Moses on a stone and held up both his hands until sunset. Eventually, Joshua defeated the Amalekites (Exodus 17:10b-13).

The LORD instructed Moses to write as a memorial this battle at Rephidim. The memorial would remind Joshua and all Israel that God would destroy the Amalekites throughout all the generations. Moses then built an altar and called it "The LORD is My Banner." As Joshua led Israel on the battlefield,

they periodically looked at the staff of God held high by Moses. When they saw the staff, which served as Banner of the LORD, it gave them strength and confidence that God would give them victory (Exodus 17:14-16). The staff of God, which served as the Banner of the Lord, raised by Moses points forward to the Cross of Christ. As Christ was raised on the Cross, He provided salvation for those who believe in Him. And anyone who looks back at the Cross of Christ finds strength and confidence that God will see them through in every adversity and give them rest in any season (Numbers 21:8; Isaiah 11:10).

When you do not know what to do, declare, "the LORD is My Banner!" Run to Christ and find strength, guidance and restedness. ✠

SERMON OUTLINE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ONLINE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP**
The Hub Youth Ministry
High School Groups
every 1st Saturdays | 4:00 PM
College Groups
every 3rd Saturdays | 4:00 PM
- **PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT**
Ministry for Widows
July 31, 2021, Saturday
10:00 AM via Zoom
- **BLOOM: ROOTS TO FRUIT**
August 7, 2021, Saturday
Speaker: Ms. Jenny Agcaoili
- **JOIN A GROWTH GROUP**
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