

SERMON SERIES
EXODUS, PART 2:
“OUR GUIDE THROUGH THE WILDERNESS”
“MY GOD HELPS ME”
Exodus 18
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I. Testify my God helps me. (vv. 1-9)

“Jethro... heard all that God had done for Moses and his people Israel”

“Moses told ... all that the LORD had done ... the hardship... how the LORD delivered”

“Jethro rejoiced for all the good that the LORD had done”

Genesis 25:1-2; 37:36

Exodus 19:16

“This is what mission is: the people of God proclaiming or telling in all the earth everything God has done.”

-Tim Chester

II. Worship because my God helps me. (vv. 9-12)

“who delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians”.

“hand of the Egyptians ... hand of Pharaoh ... hand of the Egyptians”

“Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods”

“Jethro ... brought a burnt offering and sacrifices to God”.

“Aaron came with all the elders ... to eat bread with (Jethro) before God”

Deuteronomy 12:7

Exodus 24:11

John 10:28-29

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Colossians 3:11

“Division becomes diversity as we’re united in Christ.”

-Tim Chester

III. My God helps me giving me leaders & the law. (vv. 13-27)

*“The next day Moses sat to judge the people ... from morning till evening”
“when they have a dispute... I decide... make them now the statutes of God”
“not good... will certainly wear yourselves out... too heavy for you”
“able men... who fear God, who are trustworthy & hate a bribe”*

Deuteronomy 1:11-12, 17

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

1 Timothy 3

Titus 1

Hebrews 13:17

*“We love and obey them, not because we have very much confidence in them,
but because we have complete confidence in Jesus Christ.”* -Philip Ryken

*“The same is true of the church today: only when church leaders, such as pastors,
elders and deacons, are righteous and reverent can God’s people expect to
flourish.”* -John Currid

Digging Deeper:

1. What was one of the greatest hardships God has rescued you from?
2. Prepare your testimony including a brief gospel presentation and that hardship. Tell someone.
3. How important is joy in your worship? How can that grow?
4. How can the elders help you lead a more godly life? Tell your elder.
5. When do you struggle to obey them? How does Jesus help you?