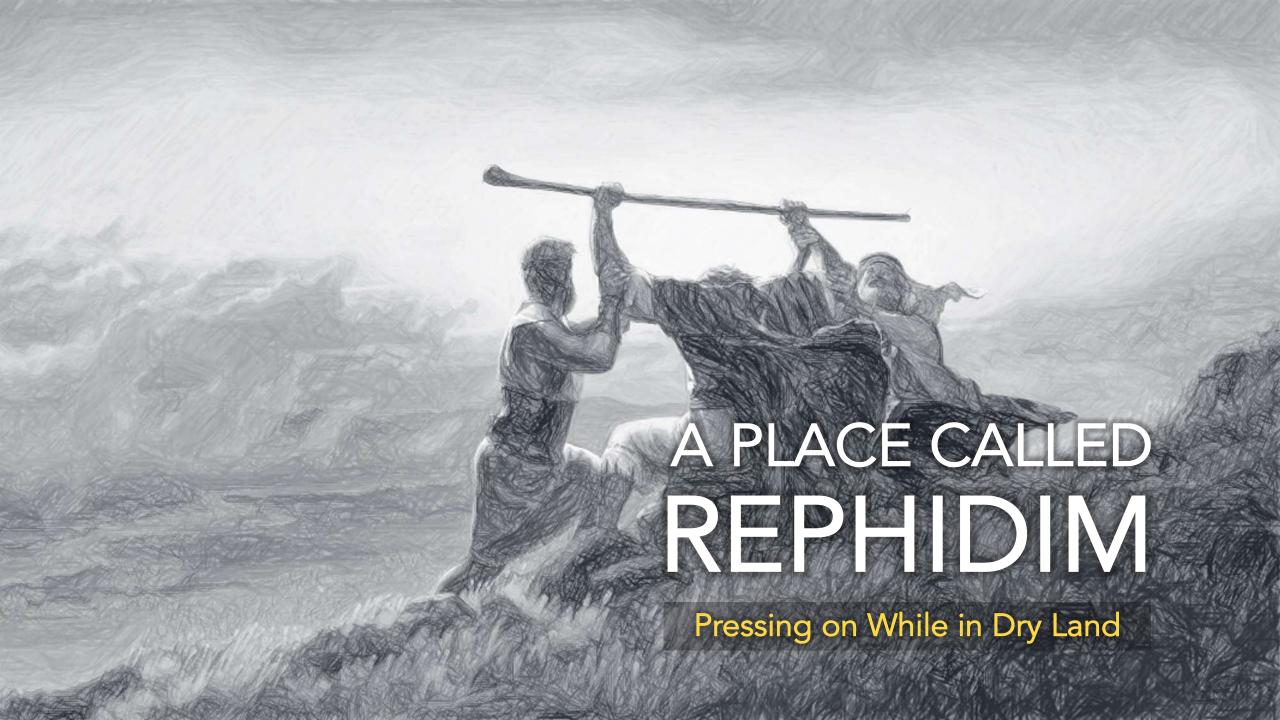


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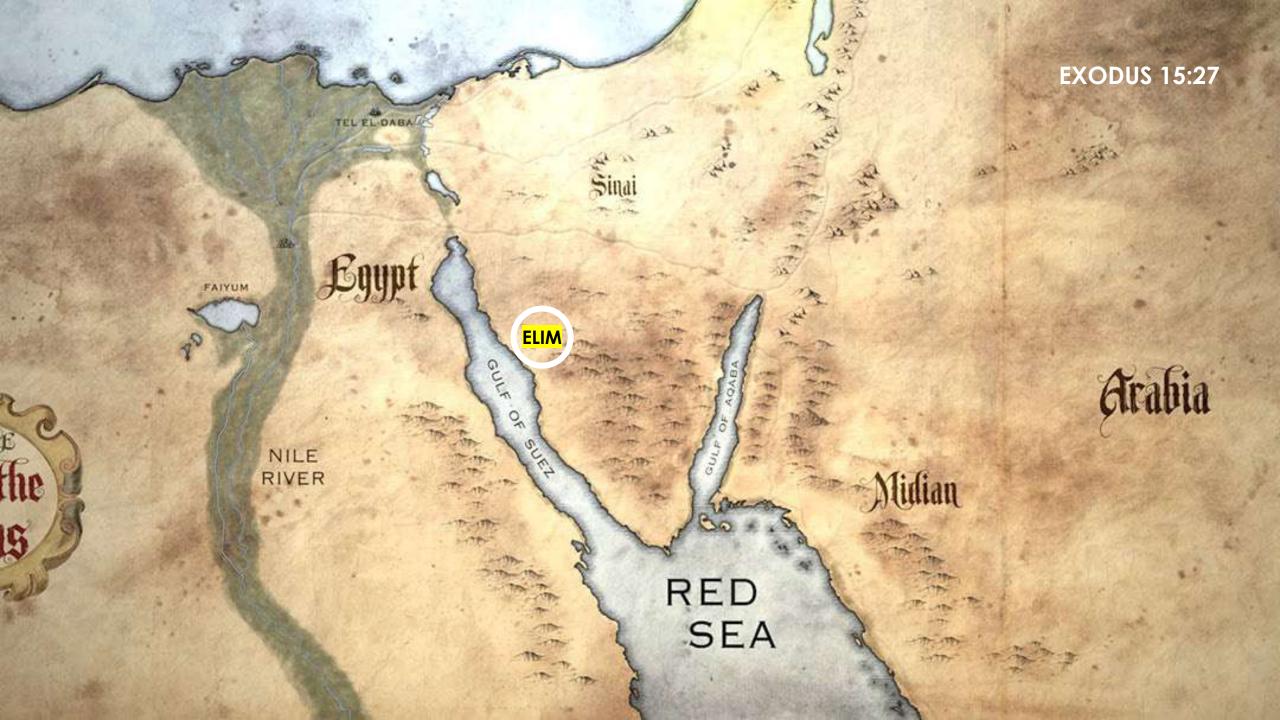
Ability to adapt to difficult situations











EXODUS 15

²⁷ Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water.



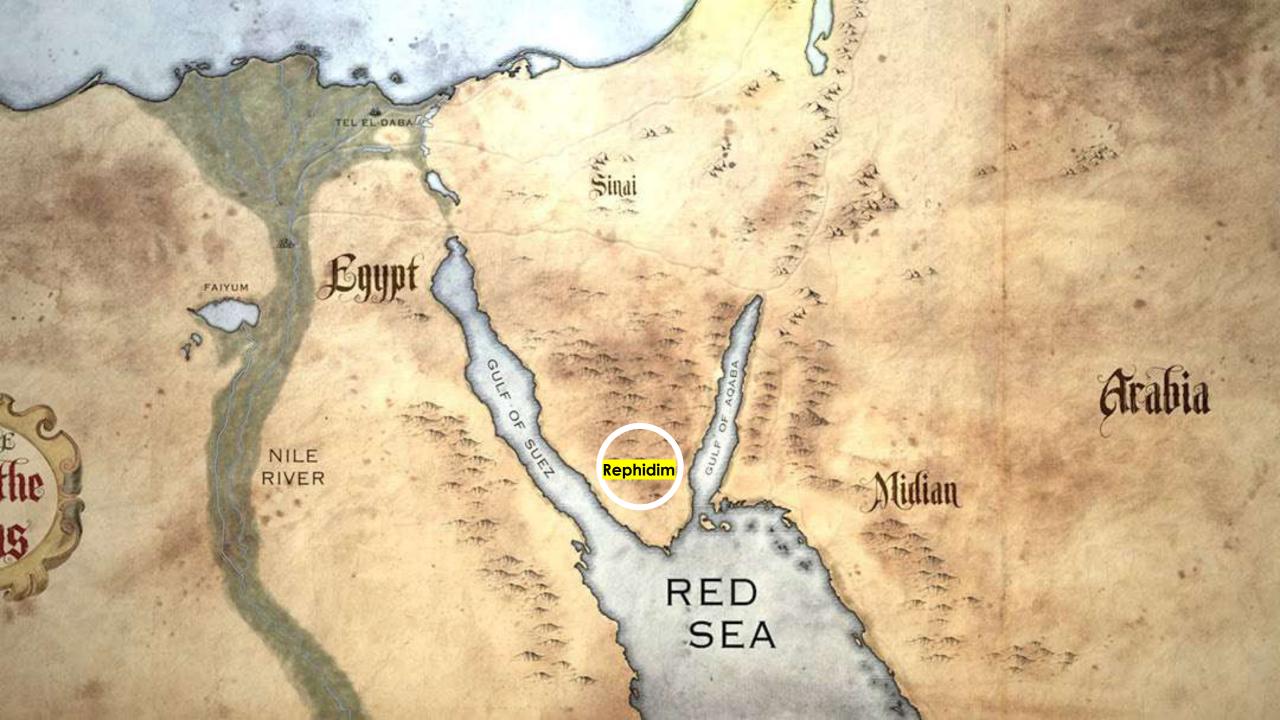






EXODUS 17

¹ At the Lord's command, the whole community of Israel left the wilderness of Sin and moved from place to place. Eventually they camped at Rephidim, but there was no water there for the people to drink.





² So once more the people complained against Moses. "Give us water to drink!" they demanded. "Quiet!" Moses replied. "Why are you complaining against me? And why are you testing the Lord?"

³ But tormented by thirst, they continued to argue with Moses. "Why did you bring us out of Egypt? Are you trying to kill us, our children, and our livestock with thirst?"

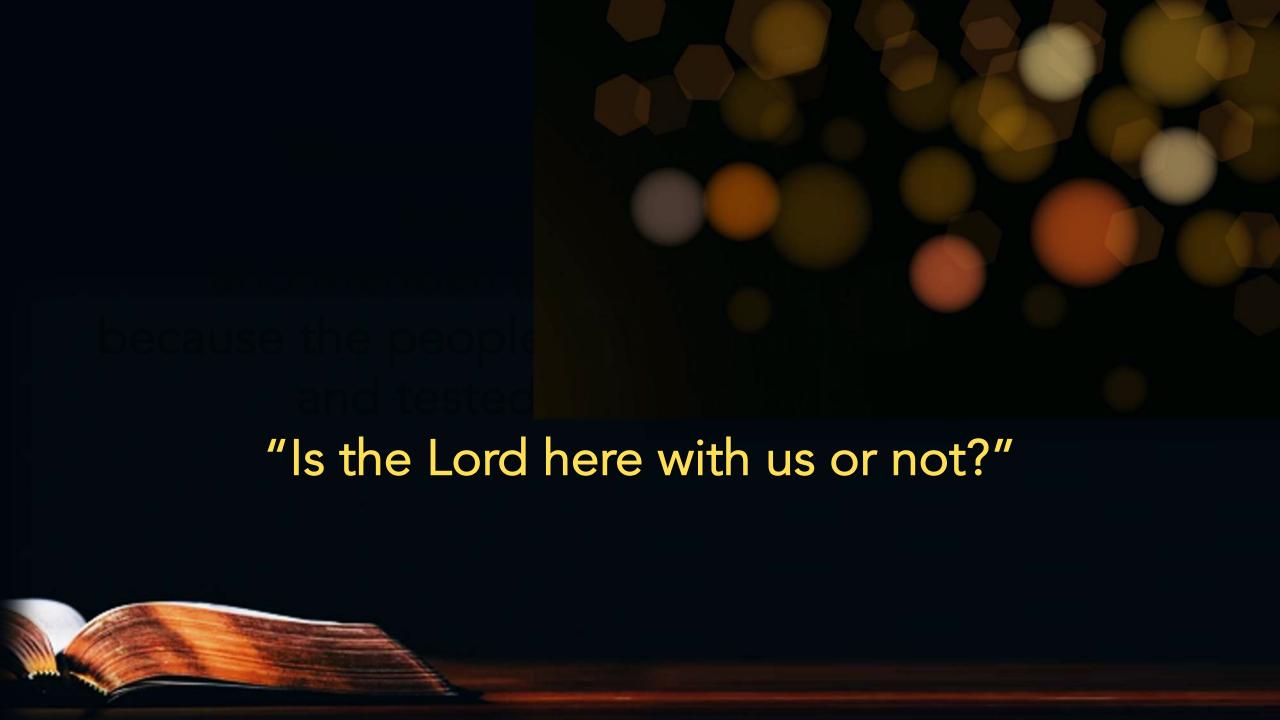
⁴ Then Moses cried out to the Lord, "What should I do with these people? They are ready to stone me!" ⁵ The Lord said to Moses, "Walk out in front of the people. Take your staff, the one you used when you struck the water of the Nile, and call some of the elders of Israel to join you.

⁶ I will stand before you on the rock at Mount Sinai. Strike the rock, and water will come gushing out. Then the people will be able to drink." So Moses struck the rock as he was told, and water gushed out as the elders looked on.





⁷ Moses named the place Massah (which means "test") and Meribah (which means "arguing") because the people of Israel argued with Moses and tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord here with us or not?"







HEBREWS 13:5-6

 ⁵ "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."
 ⁶ So we say with confidence,
 "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"

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⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith — of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.



8 While the people of Israel were still at Rephidim, the warriors of Amalek attacked them. ⁹ Moses commanded Joshua, "Choose some men to go out and fight the army of Amalek for us. Tomorrow, I will stand at the top of the hill, holding the staff of God in my hand." ¹⁰ So Joshua did what Moses had commanded and fought the army of Amalek.



BACKGROUND: EXODUS 14

15 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. 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.

Meanwhile, Moses, Aaron, and Hur climbed to the top of a nearby hill.

11 As long as Moses held up the staff in his hand, the Israelites had the advantage.

But whenever he dropped his hand, the Amalekites gained the advantage.





ZECHARIAH 4:6B

'Not by might
nor by power,
but by my Spirit,'
says the Lord Almighty.



12 Moses' arms soon became so tired he could no longer hold them up. So Aaron and Hur found a stone for him to sit on. Then they stood on each side of Moses, holding up his hands. So his hands held steady until sunset. ¹³ As a result, Joshua overwhelmed the army of Amalek in battle.



¹⁴ After the victory, the Lord instructed Moses, "Write this down on a scroll as a permanent reminder, and read it aloud to Joshua: I will erase the memory of Amalek from under heaven."

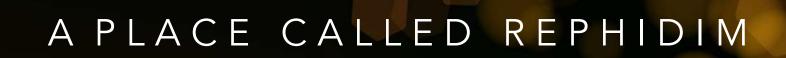
¹⁵ Moses built an altar there and named it Yahweh-Nissi (which means "the Lord is my banner"). 16 He said, "They have raised their fist against the Lord's throne, so now the Lord will be at war with Amalek generation after generation."





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⁹ Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: ¹⁰ If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.







HOW IS YOUR HEART?



