Crossing the Sea Exodus 14:5-22

Previously in Exodus

- The journey the Israelites made
 - Rameses to
 Sukkoth to Etham
 13:20—heading
 south east
 - God guiding 13:21-22





Previously in Exodus

- Now change direction 14:2
 - heading north
 - God's purpose 14:4

Pharaoh's response vv 5-9

- they decide they made a mistake v 5
- action to run down the Israelites vv 6-9
- Pharaoh's motivation
- today's Pharaohs





The Israelites' response vv 10-12

- they look—and panic
- they forget God's instructions
 - vv 1-4 change direction
 - 13:21-22 the pillar of cloud
 - 3:9-10, 17 God's word through Moses
 - 4:29-31 previous confidence
 - 12:21-28 previously obedient



The Israelites' response vv 10-12

- they look—and panic
- they forget God's instructions
- they want to go back vv 11-12
 - distorted sight

Moses' response vv 13-16, 21

- Moses listens to God and calls for trust
 - see the Lord's deliverance v 13
 - never see the Egyptians again v 13
- Moses tells them to do nothing

• God will deliver them v 14

Moses' response vv 13-16, 21

- Moses listens to God and calls for trust
- Moses tells them to do nothing
 - this is our situation
- Moses obeys God
 - 'As for you...' v 16
 - 'As for me...' vv 17, 18
 - Moses raises his staff over the water v 21

'As for God...' vv 17-20, 22

• God's motivations • gain glory v 17 make the Egyptians know who God is v 18 not reward for his people's obedience

'As for God...' vv 17-20, 22

• God's motivations God moves to protect vv 19-20 God controls the weather v 21 the Egyptians recognise God $\vee 25$

Two areas for reflection

• Do I trust in Jesus for deliverance?

• As a Christian, am I trying to run my life myself? You can get these slides from Acts and More https://stevewalton.info