



The agency of authority over demons

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EXODUS 14:13 NKJV – (13) And Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever.

There are times when all our strength must be "in quietness and confidence" (**Isaiah 30:15**). So long as we have means of resistance put in our power, with a reasonable prospect of success, it is our duty to use them—to exert ourselves to the uttermost, to make all possible efforts. When God has given you the key, the only way you will get in is by unlocking the door with the key given. God isn't going to do it for you because you and I have been given access.

God, for the most part, "helps those who help themselves." But there are occasions when we can do nothing—when all must be left to Him. (**2 Chronicles 20:17**) Under these circumstances, our duty and our true wisdom is to wait patiently, quietly, courageously. Moses, probably, did not yet know how God would affect Israel's deliverance, but he was confident that, in one way or another, it would be affected.

Never again shall you see them in the pride of power, haughty, menacing and terrible. When next you see them they will be stiff and lifeless—pale corpses strewing the Red Sea shore (**Exodus 14:30**).

The victory is already ours! God has already told us the outcome of the enemy (Satan). The victory is **NOW!** You and I can't do it, but I know someone who can. Satan has power, but no authority. We have authority over him if you are a child of God. We defeat Him by standing still and letting God fight our battles. We just need to put on that armor He has instructed us to wear. **HE WILL FIGHT YOUR BATTLES! STAND STILL!**

Again, compose yourselves, by confidence in God, into peaceful thoughts of the great salvation God is about to work for you. If God brings his people into straits, he will find a way to bring them out.

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 59:19

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Certain things, if not seen as lovely or detestable, are not being correctly seen at all.