

Exodus: Problem Solving: From the Simple to the Complex to the Simple

Promise claimed:

Exodus 3:12 - ... when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God at this mountain [Sinai].

Essence of God rationale with emphasis on veracity:

“God tells the truth therefore we will somehow worship Him at Mt. Siani.”

Confidence in the fact that you are the recipient of this promise is sustained by associating with the doctrine of eternal security:

“I have expressed faith alone in Jehovah Elohim alone for salvation. He has saved my soul in the past with the result that I stand saved forever. Therefore, as a believer with eternal security, I may claim this promise and have faith in God's faithfulness to bring it to pass.”

This association then links up with wheel-tracks from the doctrine of the plan of God with emphasis on the Divine Decrees:

“I was in the plan of God in eternity past. He knew of this problem then and has provided a solution in time. As a believer, He has a purpose for my life and right now part of that plan is to get me to Mt. Siani so that I may worship Him there.”

Confidence that you will get to Mt. Siani to worship Him gives you courage to face Pharaoh's advancing army.

This courage is sustained by yet another association, this time with wheel-tracks from the doctrine of logistical grace:

“God has promised that I shall worship Him at Mt. Siani as a part of His perfect plan for my life. As a believer who has eternal security, I qualify to claim that promise and may trust in His veracity to back up what He promises. If all these things are true then it logically follows that He must keep me alive and therefore will somehow deliver me from Pharaoh. Therefore, I will be courageous. I will submit to Moses' leadership, I will keep the faith, and I will stand fast and watch the deliverance of the Lord here today.”

Consequently, the faith-rest drill is concentration under pressure which transforms the complex to the simple and then converts the simple back into the complex:

1. The Holy Spirit uses the crisis as a vector to recall a promise which relates to the problem.
2. The promise establishes a temporary tranquility of soul so that the believer can concentrate on the doctrine he knows. We are using Exodus 3:12b as our applicable promise.
3. The content of that promise enables the Holy Spirit to linkup an association with the doctrine of divine essence which builds your confidence in God to handle the problem.
4. That confidence is sustained by yet another association, this one with the doctrine of eternal security:

“I am always saved therefore I always have access to divine essence.”

5. The Holy Spirit must now relate the problem to God's sovereignty; thus, He associates all this with wheel-tracks from the doctrine of the plan of God:

“He has a purpose for my life, He wants me to worship Him at Mt. Siani, thus I can be courageous in the face of this problem.”

6. The Holy Spirit sustains that courage by associating wheel-tracks from the plan of God with the doctrine of logistical grace:

“If it's God's plan for me to worship Him at Mt. Siani, then He must keep me alive in order to do so.”

All these wheel-tracks interlocking among four major doctrines form a huge constellation within the neural network managed by the power of the Holy Spirit through the soul's stream of consciousness.

This is very complex. We have gone from a complex set of problems and reduced them down to a very simple promise:

“God promised me I would worship Him at Mt. Siani.” (Exodus 3:12b)

From that we developed a very complex constellation made up four associated doctrines which brings us, once again, to something very simple: we reach the logical conclusion that:

“I will stand fast and watch the deliverance of the Lord here today.”

Here's the sequence in the form of an anadiplosis:

We go from a complex catastrophe and crisis to simple orientation and adjustment,

From simple orientation and adjustment to a complex problem-solving process and procedure, From a complex problem-solving process and procedure to a simple logical conclusion.

1. The catastrophe and crisis are a set of very complex outside adversities.
2. The orientation and adjustment are the recall of a simple wheel-track containing a promise pertinent to the situation.
3. The problem-solving process and procedure involve the development of a complex constellation of doctrinal rationales:
 - a. Tranquility of soul from claiming a promise, plus faith in God's veracity, plus an eternal relationship with God's essence, produces sustained confidence that God will do that which He has promised.

P + EG/R + ES/R = SC/G

Promises + Essence of God Rationale + Eternal Security Rationale = Sustained Confidence in God

- b. Sustained confidence in God, plus confidence that you are in God's perfect plan, plus the guaranteed provision of life support, produces a sustained courage toward life and circumstances.

SC/G + PG/R + LG/R = SC/L&C

Sustained Confidence in God + Plan of God Rationale + Logistical Grace Rationale = Sustained Courage towards Life & Circumstances

4. From this complex constellation emerges a very simple logical conclusion:

“I will stand fast and watch the deliverance of the Lord here today.”

We have gone from a very complex problem to a simple temporary orientation and adjustment to a very complex set of problem-solving devices to a very simple logical conclusion.

In the end, what is it that we wind up doing? We do nothing while God does everything. Why? Because He said He'd take care of the problem. If we try to help the omnipotent God of the universe solve our complex problems then it's much like a pilot who doesn't think his jet plane is going fast enough so he gets out and pushes.

You must always remember that no matter how bad things get, you never increase your odds nor do you improve your circumstances by getting out and pushing the jet. If the jet gets pushed, it's got to be done by somebody else. And that Somebody had best be God Himself.

The article I want to bring you may in a way be an exception to this rule. If so, it's a very rare one. But nevertheless, it will serve to illustrate my point: if your jet gets pushed, someone else is going to have to do the honors.