

Walking Through the Valley of Shadows

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Exodus 15:22-27

I. Enjoy Every Oasis

A. Refreshing _____

1. “Seasons” are more than calendared events...
 - a. “Seasons” which are *oases* are those times when for a short while we can forget about the Valley.

2. Another oasis God provides for us is a “season of worship” at the beginning of each week.
 - a. The fledgling church first encountered *the Valley* when some of its leaders were arrested!

Acts 4:23-31

- b. “*There is a time [SEASON] for every event under heaven ...*”

Ecclesiastes 3:1, 4

B. Refreshing _____

1. Another oasis may be when a special person comes to us at just the right time!
 - a. When the Israelites were finally leaving Egypt...

Exodus 12:36

- b This is also spiritually true for all today who leave our slavery.

Romans 6:17

Ephesians 1:3

- c. Unfortunately, the Israelites had been slaves, not soldiers. So they were ripe for bandits!!

Exodus 17:8-10

Exodus 4:17

Ex. 7:10

Ex. 7:20

Ex. 8:5

Ex. 8:16

Ex. 14:16

Exodus 17:12-13

Luke 6:38

Galatians 6:7

C. Refreshing _____.

1. (Matt. 11:28), *“Come to Me, all who are weary & heavy-laden & I will give you rest.”*
 - a. He knew what it was like to feel weary, and talk about heavy burdens . . . !

John 15:20

Luke 21:2-3

Matthew 5:27-32

Luke 15:11-32

2. Second, Jesus doesn't discriminate when it comes to refreshing Valley-weary travelers.
 - a. Because He said, *“Come unto Me, ALL who are weary & heavy-laden and I will give you rest.”*

Luke 5:12-13

CONCLUSIONS:

Members: Isaiah 43:20

Guests: Romans 6:17

Romans 6:3-4, 7