

E. Movements out of Egypt 13:1--14:31

1. Truths of the Passover 13:1-16
2. The way of the journey 13:17-19
3. Divine guidance 13:20-22

The pillar of fire and the cloud..various interpretations but no doubt about the service and the intent.

4. Pursuit and ultimate deliverance 14:1-31
 - a. Pharaoh pursues 14:1-9
 - b. Hebrew doubts 14:10-12
 - c. The promise of God 14:13-18
 - d. A path through the sea 14:19-22
(note the action of the cloud)
 - e. The Egyptians overthrown 14:23-31

F. The Song of Victory 15:1-22

This is exciting reading and I will not analyze it in detail but notice how Miriam, Moses, etc. all take part in singing the praise of the Lord. This becomes foundational in the history of Israel and it is of interest to see how often the Old Testament writers return to an analysis of this event. It is viewed as the classic example of God's deliverance for His people and if He could do this...there is nothing He cannot do.

IV. The Establishment of the Nation 15:23-24:18

This is a very important section and stresses the deliverance by blood and power, as is true earlier. The power of God and the death of the firstborn..the power of God and the overcoming of foes without and within. Deliverance from their own fears and doubts and lawlessness constitutes the bulk of this matter. A mere coming out of Egypt was not enough..the people needed a fact of consolidation as a true people of God and that is where the account leads us. God's people are not merely delivered, they are established. My notes may wander a bit in this section...I am sometimes not always logical. But I am appreciative of the fact that the God who promises performs, the God who delivers establishes. Without the latter the former would not mean very much. There is a lot of application in this for our age and for the world in which we function. Remember we are studying redemption as well as a national history.