



# Before the THRONE

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Exodus 15:22-24

“And when they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they were bitter... and the people murmured... and there He tested them.” Exodus 15:22-24

Life is full of opportunities to become bitter. Life is also full of opportunities to complain. And, like it or not, life is a testing ground. “What is man, that You should magnify him, and that you should set Your heart upon him, and that You should visit him every morning, and test him every moment?” (Job 7:17-18)

When we are caught in a test or a trial, there is always a way out! Panic sets in when we look to our own resources rather than to the Lord’s resources. “There has no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful who will not permit you to be tempted about that you are able, but will, with the temptation, also make a way of escape...” (1 Corinthians 10:13)

Whatever the test you face today, the LORD has already made a way of escape. While the sophisticated may say the Christian answer is too simplistic, this is the answer to all of life’s evils – the Cross of Jesus Christ. “...and the LORD showed Moses a tree, which when cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet!” (verse 25). Jesus died upon that Tree that provides for us today escape from every trial and temptation life may throw at you. “Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law being made a curse for us – for it is written, “Cursed is everyone that hangs upon a tree that the blessing of Abraham might come to the gentiles through Jesus Christ...” (Galatians 3:13).

Your bitter waters can today be turned sweet when once you embrace the Cross of Jesus Christ!

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