

ISRAEL CROSSING THE RED SEA

Exodus 14:1 to 15:21

Moses led his people out toward the wilderness. He knew and the people knew just which way to go, for God sent a great pillar of cloud to go before and guide them.

When night came it changed into a mighty pillar of fire, which made the dark road quite light. So they traveled on.

Meanwhile Pharaoh had grown sorry that he had let his slaves go. Who would do his work? Who would make



those bricks? Wicked Pharaoh decided to go after the Israelites and bring them back. He did not care how he

broke his promise, nor how he disobeyed God. Soon his chariots were thundering out toward the wilderness.

Some one of the Israelites happened to glance behind, and spied a cloud of dust rising in the distance. It grew bigger and bigger. It was Pharaoh's great army.

"The Egyptians! The Egyptians!" he cried out in terror.

What should the Israelites do? The great sea was in front. High mountains were on both sides. The Egyptians were coming behind. They were caught. What should they do?

Moses told them. "Stand still!" he cried. "Fear not. The Lord will fight for you!"