

# Do Three Things

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*David Wilkerson emphasizes trusting God during trials by highlighting His protective power and the importance of worship amidst difficulties.*

**Scripture:** Exodus 14:13-14, Exodus 14:20-21, Psalm 34:7

**Topics:** "Faith in Trials", "God's Protection"

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## Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes God's command to Israel during their trials: 'Fear not. Stand still. See the salvation of the Lord.' He reassures believers that God fights for them, sending protective angels and providing guidance even in dark times. The sermon illustrates how God used a powerful windstorm to part the Red Sea, transforming fear into worship as the Israelites witnessed His miraculous power. Wilkerson encourages the faithful to trust in God's supernatural work, reminding them that the battle belongs to the Lord and that they are never alone in their struggles.

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## Transcript

In the midst of their trial God told Israel to do three things: "Fear not. Stand still. See the salvation of the Lord." His call to Israel was, "I am going to fight for you. You're simply to hold your peace. Just be quiet, and put everything in my hands. Right now, I'm doing a work in the supernatural realm. Everything is under my control. So, don't panic. Trust that I'm fighting the devil. This battle is not yours" (see Exodus 14:13 and 14).

Soon dusk fell over the camp. This was the beginning of Israel's dark and stormy night. But it was also the beginning of God's supernatural work. He sent an awesome, protective angel to stand between his people and their enemy. I believe God still sends protective angels to camp around all who love and fear him (see Psalm 34:7).

The Lord also moved the supernatural cloud he'd given to Israel for guidance. The cloud suddenly shifted from the front of Israel's camp to the rear. And it loomed as a pitch-black wall before the Egyptians. On the other side, the cloud provided a supernatural light, giving the Israelites clear visibility all night long (see Exodus 14:20).

Even though Pharaoh's army was in total darkness, they could still raise their voices. And all night long they spewed forth threats and lies. Israel's tents shook from this barrage of lies throughout that dark night. But it didn't matter how loudly the enemy threatened them. An angel was on guard to protect them, and

God had promised his people he would bring them through.

Dear saint, if you're a blood-bought child of God, he has put a warrior angel between you and the devil. And he commands you, just as he told Israel, "Do not fear. Stand still. Believe in my salvation." Satan may come against you breathing every evil threat. But at no time during your dark, stormy night is the enemy ever able to destroy you.

"Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night" (Exodus 14:21).

The windstorm that God brought down was so powerful, it began to part the waves of the sea: "The strong east wind...made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided" (14:21).

The Hebrew word for wind here means "violent exhaling." In other words, God exhaled and the water congealed in walls. Israel's tent-dwellings must have shaken fiercely as those mighty torrents blew through the camp. Why did God allow Israel to go through an entire stormy night, when he could have spoken a mere word and calmed the elements?

What a storm it must have been. And what a fearful time it had to be for Israel. I ask you, what was God up to here? Why would he allow such a terrible windstorm to go on all night? Why didn't he just tell Moses to touch the water with his mantle, and part the waves supernaturally? What possible reason did God have for permitting this awful night to take place?

There was but one reason: The Lord was making worshippers. God was at work the whole time, using the terrible storm to make a path for his people out of the crisis. Yet the Israelites couldn't see it at the time. Many were hiding in their tents. But those who came outside witnessed a glorious light show. They also beheld the glorious sight of waves mounting up, mighty walls of water rising to form a dry path through the sea. When the people saw this, they must have shouted, "Look, God has used the wind to make a way for us. Praise the Lord!"

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