

GOD WILL SWAMP THE ENEMIES OF HIS HIDDEN ONES

¹⁹ *So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.*

Isaiah 59:19 KJV

³ *They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.*

Psalms 83:3 KJV

I. God will suddenly swamp the enemy as at Midian. (Isaiah 10:26; Judges 6:1-6)

[Isa 10:26 KJV] ²⁶ *And the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and [as] his rod [was] upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.*

[Jdg 6:1-6 KJV] ¹ *And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD delivered them into the hand of Midian seven years. ² And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel: [and] because of the Midianites the children of Israel made them the dens which [are] in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds. ³ And [so] it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites, and the children of the east, even they came up against them; ⁴ And they encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass. ⁵ For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came as grasshoppers for multitude; [for] both they and their camels were without number: and they entered into the land to destroy it. ⁶ And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD.*

* God will swamp seasons of extended barrenness.

II. God will suddenly swamp our enemies with an Egyptian suddenly. (Isaiah 10:26; Exodus 14)

* He will mightily save us from being stuck in traps and cul-de-sacs against impossible odds.

III. God will suddenly swamp the enemy as in Perazim. (Isaiah 28:21; I Chronicles 14:8-12)

[Isa 28:21 KJV] *21 For the LORD shall rise up as [in] mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as [in] the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.*

[1Ch 14:8-12 KJV] ⁸ *And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard [of it], and went out against them. ⁹ And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim. ¹⁰ And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand. ¹¹ So they came up to Baalperazim; and David smote them there. Then David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place Baalperazim. ¹² And when they had left their gods there, David gave a commandment, and they were burned with fire.*

* God will break forth with a final blow against issues that have continued to rise up.

IV. God will swamp the enemies of his people with a Gibeon suddenly. (Isaiah 28:21; Joshua 10:11)

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[Jos 10:11 KJV] ¹¹ *And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, [and] were in the going down to Bethhoron, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: [they were] more which died with hailstones than [they] whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.*

* He will change the times and seasons and very elements to rescue His hidden ones.

V. Sihon and Og

A. The Canaanites had heard about the mass victory over Sihon and Og. (Numbers 21:21-35)

- * Sihon, King of the Ammonites- wiping out, uprooting, eradication, extermination, sweeping away extreme boldness. He was in charge of 1500 square miles. The whole east side of Jordan from Arnan to Jabbok.
- * Og, king of Bashan--the longnecked, bread baked in ashes, unconquerable giant, 12 feet tall. His iron bed was 13' x 6'. (Deuteronomy 3:11) Lord of 60 cities. Ruler of all the land from Jabbok to Mount Hermon. 3000 square miles.

B. This victory was celebrated all through the Bible. A synecdoche where the part symbolizes the whole. (Psalm 135:10-12;136:17-22; Amos 2:9-10) (It spoke of victories in the face of overwhelming odds and seemingly impossible situations.)

[Psa 135:10-12 NIV] ¹⁰ *He struck down many nations and killed mighty kings--* ¹¹ *Sihon king of the Amorites, Og king of Bashan, and all the kings of Canaan--* ¹² *and he gave their land as an inheritance, an inheritance to his people Israel.*

[Psa 136:17-22 NIV] ¹⁷ *to him who struck down great kings, His love endures forever.* ¹⁸ *and killed mighty kings-- His love endures forever.* ¹⁹ *Sihon king of the Amorites His love endures forever.* ²⁰ *and Og king of Bashan-- His love endures forever.* ²¹ *and gave their land as an inheritance, His love endures forever.* ²² *an inheritance to his servant Israel. His love endures forever.*

[Amo 2:9-10 NIV] ⁹ *“Yet I destroyed the Amorites before them, though they were tall as the cedars and strong as the oaks. I destroyed their fruit above and their roots below.* ¹⁰ *I brought you up out of Egypt and led you forty years in the wilderness to give you the land of the Amorites.*

- * God swamped the enemies who blocked the way to the land of Canaan. They had never been conquered before.

VI. God will destroy iron chariots. (Judges 4:3;5:20 KJV)

[Jdg 4:3 KJV] ³ *And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD: for he had nine hundred chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel.*

[Jdg 5:20 KJV] ²⁰ *They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera.*

- * God will swamp any ingenious means that rise up against His hidden ones.