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“The Egyptian Hallel”
Psalm 114: 1-8, Exodus 14:1-4

Myopic versus Hyperopic

Intro: What is a Chiasmus/Chiasm?

When there are elements of a sentence, verse, paragraph or book that have a forward movement leading to a central point or emphasis, which is then followed up with a backward look to that central thought!

EXAMPLES: Psalms Chapters 111 through 118 –

Psalm 114 – Verses 1 through 8 –

Our Text:

I. A Quick History: (Verse 1-2)

- A. Leaving Egypt – *The Song of Moses (See Revelation 15:3)*
Exodus 14:1-4; 30-31; Exodus 15:1-2
Hosea 11:1 – When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.
- B. The House of Jacob – *“Israel” as a parallelism*
Ezekiel 20:5 - "... an oath to the descendants of the house of
Jacob, and made Myself known to them in the land of Egypt,”
- C. The Temple and Judah – *“Sanctuary”*
1 Kings 6:1 ; 11-13; 1 Kings 9:3 –
(Solomon Builds the Temple!)
- D. The Kingdom of Israel – *“Dominion”*
1 Sam 8:4-9 – God becomes their king! (“Since Egypt!”)
Numbers 23:21 – ... The Lord their God is with them;
the shout of the King is among them.

II. The Events of the Exodus: (Verse 3-4)

The Wonder of God’s choosing and redeeming of Israel is attested to by Nature.

Prosopopoeia: *The Earth comes Alive!*

- A. *The Red Sea – Exodus 14 and 15; Psalm 105:23-43*
- B. *The Jordan River – Joshua 3:1-13 and 4:23; Psalm 77:16*
- C. *Skipping Mountains/Hills – Psalm 97:4-5*
(Mt. Sinai, Hills of Edom)

III. A Rhetorical Question about the Exodus: (Verses 5-6)

What would cause the natural world to behave in such a manner?

IV. The Accounting for The Exodus: (Verses 7-8)

The Answer for the cause is given for the miracles and rejoicing!

V. When the Earth Acknowledges God’s Presence (Verses 7-8)

Trembling – Daniel 6:26; Exodus 19:18; Judges 5:4; Psalm 68:8
Pools of water - Habakkuk 2:14; Isaiah 41:18

Conclusion:

Just as we should acknowledge God’s power and goodness in what He did for Israel through the Exodus event, we should also apply these truths to our own internal Exodus process. Our Souls have been redeemed from the kingdom of darkness and the power of Sin through Jesus Christ! We walk as unique people in an ungodly world, who have a different King and kingdom. By God’s work of Grace, there is no sea, no river, no height nor depth that can keep us from God’s presence within our hearts and daily lives. It is only at God’s presence that we will find the gushing “waters of life!” And nothing can come between or separate us from that Kingdom of God’s love. (Romans 8:38-39)