THE POWER OF PRAYER THE PROSPECT OF UNSEEN BATTLES Exo 17:8-16 (17b) Oct 26, 2025 am

THE FOE OF ISRAEL (8) Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

THE FIGHT PLAN (9) And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand.

THE FACTS OF THE FIGHT (10-11) So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹ And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

THE FAILURE OF MOSES (12a) But Moses' hands were heavy;

THE FRIENDS OF MOSES (12b)

THE COORDINATION – (12-13) - <u>Aaron and Hur</u>

<u>COMFORT</u> – they took a stone, and put it under

him, and he sat thereon

COOPERATION - and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun ¹³And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

THE COMMEMORATION (14-15)

A MEMORIAL (14) And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

<u>A MONUMENT</u> (15) And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi:

THE FUTURE OF ISRAEL WITH AMALEK (16) for he said, Because the Lord hath sworn that the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

King Saul and the Amalekites

1 Sam 15:3, 1 Sam 15:6 (the Kenites)

1 Sam 15:9, 1 Sam 15:10-11, 1 Sam 15:32

Queen Esther and Hamaan, an Amalekite –

Exodus 18:1-12 (18a) - Oct 26, 2025 pm MOSES IS REUNITED WITH HIS FAMILY

Exo12:37, Exo 13:20, Exo 14:2 THE GOOD NEWS

MOSES AND ISRAEL WERE ARRIVING (1) When Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt

Exo 2:15-16, Exo 4:25-26, Exo 18:2

THE REHEARSING OF GOD'S WORK for/with Moses (1) Jethro...heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt.

THE RETURN OF GOD'S MAN (2) Jethro, Moses' father in law took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her back, ³ and her two sons

MOSES' FAMILY WAS ARRIVING (2-5)

<u>THE REUNION OF MOSES' FAMILY</u> (2-3a, 5) <u>THE REMEMBERING OF NAMES</u> (3b-4)

THE GREETINGS (6-7)

JETHRO'S GREETING (6) and he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her.

MOSES' GREETING (7) And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came into the tent.

THE GREAT DEEDS OF GOD (8-12)

GOD'S GOODNESS was acknowledged (8-9)

BY MOSES (8) And Moses told his father in law all that the Lord had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, and all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and how the Lord delivered them. (Num 16:28)

<u>BY JETHRO</u> (9) And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the Lord had done to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

JETHRO'S GRATITUDE was expressed (10-

12) And Jethro said, Blessed be the Lord, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

GOD'S GREATNESS was verified – in words (11) Now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

GOD'S GLORY was recognized – in worship

(12) And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law before God.