

God's Plan Series: The Parting of the Red Sea
Yahweh Is God over All and He Makes Us His People!
Exodus 14:8-31

1. What is a tragedy? Narrative analysis: how will the complications of the text be resolved? Tragedy “shatters the presupposition (assumption) that all will work out, forcing an adjustment in the understanding of who we are and our place in the world” (Wright 33).
2. We encounter tragedy on a regular basis. Examples: dog, computer expert, woman, giraffe, film maker, songwriter, cheapskate, Pink Floyd's *Mother*, “Of course mother's going to help build a wall.”
3. What do all these examples have in common?
4. Note of caution: potential is always linked to creation and creation to the Creator.
5. Is the parting of the Red Sea a tragedy? Why or why not? Colossians 3:1-6.
6. What sinful, artificial boundaries are defining who the people of Israel are?
7. How does God redefine them?
8. How is this a moment that will define all other moments for them?
 - a. Existence?
 - b. God's revelation of Himself?
9. What enemies are defeated?
10. What sinful, artificial boundaries define who we are?
11. Read Hebrews 3:1-6 and 1 Corinthians 10:1-5 and Romans 6:3-5. How does God redefine us?
12. How does Baptism become a moment that defines all other moments for us?
 - a. Existence? Romans 8:15-17 and Galatians 3:29.
 - b. God's revelation of Himself? John 3:16-18.