Who is like you, Lord?

Message 11: <u>Under Your Wings series</u>

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Introduction

During a season of an unknown fast – a fast with no known end, the Lord spoke to me about today's message: "Who is like you, Lord." He gave me this revelation:

"The enemy declared, 'I will pursue, I will overtake. I will divide the spoils; I will gorge myself on them. I will draw my sword; my hand will destroy them.' But You blew with Your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters. Who among the gods is like You, O Lord? Who is like You—majestic in holiness, revered with praises, performing wonders?"

Exodus 15:9-11 BSB

The verses above come from a song Moses and the Israelites sang to God after he drowned Pharaoh's army in the Red Sea. They had attacked the Israelites, even after leaving Egypt.

The Lord's revelation shows that many people seem to experience breakthrough. But, then, soon after their initial victory, they experience a second wave of attack or a backlash from the enemy – just like what happened to the Israelites.

If you are going through a season where you feel like you are receiving a second, 3^{rd,} or other sustained attack and wonder if you are in sin or under a curse, this message is for you.

About me and this series

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me and he anointed me to preach the gospel to everyone telling them that: "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is near (Matthew 3: 2)."

The Lord chose me from among my brethren to receive his oracles, and this message is part 11 of a 12-part series called "Under your Wings," which testifies about God's great deliverance.

Anchor verse

Before I share the anchor verse, here's a little background.

On 11 November 2024, I was with the Lord during my unknown fast. It was during this time that he gave me the anchor verse. After, my eyes opened and I realized what had happened to me some time back.

If you watched "Fighting the Good Fight," message 6 of this series (https://www.shaweleroad.com/under-your-wings), I shared how the Lord got me to leave Egypt or quit my job. I thought it would be a quick journey to the promised land and I would find something else soon, but it wasn't the case. It was only after a 6-month wilderness journey that the breakthrough came. All was well after my initial breakthrough, so I thought,

and then the enemy attacked again! The role I had taken on, supposed to last 12 months, ended abruptly, and to show it was an attack, it happened as soon as I finished a 7-day fast.

I soon sought the Lord to try to understand what was happening to me. Was I cursed? Had I sinned and given the enemy a foothold? What was happening?

That is when the Lord gave me the revelation of the verses to help me see what happens after some breakthroughs.

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As I explained earlier, the words in the anchor verse above are a victory song that Moses and the Israelites sang to the Lord after he saved them from Pharaoh and his army at the Red Sea. But what happened before that victory? Understanding the story and the background will prepare you for a sustained attack and the victory that comes after.

Understanding the enemy's backlash strategy

So here is what happened:

- 1. **After 430 years of slavery**, the Israelites were finally remembered by God. This called for patience, for sometimes delivery takes time.
- 2. Their enemy, Pharaoh, refused to release Israel, God's 1st born son. Pharaoh was hard-hearted, and it took an epic spiritual battle in which God judged the gods of Egypt before Pharoah released the Israelites. This release came when the Lord put to death the Egyptians' 1st born sons. This calls for an understanding of the mystery; our actual fight is not against flesh and blood (Ephesians 6); the ones who hold us fast are the principalities and powers, the rulers of the earth, and thus when God judges, he is really judging the gods or rather the demon rulers behind earthly rulers.
- After Pharaoh released the Israelites and they set off, he later realized he had made a "mistake" to release them and pursued them again. It seemed he had forgotten God's judgment.

The Bible shows that Pharaoh and his army pursued the Israelites and trapped them. The Red Sea was before them, and Pharaoh was behind them.

There will come a point in this battle where the backlash of the enemy will seem so strong it will seem like you are trapped. What will you do?

Moses told them to "Be still," but what did God say? He told them, "Go forward." Go forward to where? Into the Red Sea? Yes, because God saw a secret path the enemy didn't know existed, for he is a God of impossibilities.

You must realize your enemy will not stop pursuing you, for he comes to steal, kill, and destroy; it is his nature, and he knows nothing else. Jesus said Satan has been a liar from the beginning, meaning it is his nature to lie. Likewise, he is a destroyer by nature. He did not stop pursuing the Israelites. This calls for endurance, BUT it also

calls for faith, for since you know that God delivered the Israelites safely through the Red Sea but destroyed the enemy, it means there is a secret path to victory that God only knows and that you must see with the eyes of faith.

4. In this type of battle, God is the one who truly fights for us to defeat the arrogant enemy who says: "I will pursue, I will overtake. I will divide the spoils; I will gorge myself on them. I will draw my sword; my hand will destroy them."

Because this is a battle of impossibilities, meaning the Red Sea must part to give way to you, only God can do it, so your abilities will amount to nothing. You must have faith that God will send help because in another place, the verses we have used for this season, the scriptures say this: "For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. They will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and cobra; you will trample the young lion and serpent." Psalms 91:11-13 BSB

The 3 phases of spiritual attacks

After Pharaoh pursued the Israelites, God parted the Red Sea, and the Israelites were safe. So we know how the story ends!

Knowing how it ends calls for celebration, for we remember that God is our refuge and salvation.

It calls for awe because when the Israelites were trapped, God made a way hidden even from the enemy. Is it then any surprise that Moses and the Israelites sang,

Who among the gods is like You, O Lord? Who is like You—majestic in holiness, revered with praises, performing wonders?"

Because we know how it ends, we can look at our situation with the proper perspective, and instead of being discouraged or frightened, we can look up to the heavens.

So, if you feel that things are worsening instead of getting better, take heart.

It seems you got a small victory, but the battle seems to be raging against you even worse.

It could be anything:

- the addiction left and returned stronger;
- the marriage seemed to be getting better, but then it worsened;
- the job seemed to be going well, but then it worsened.

Take heart; this is the work of the enemy, the one who is seeking to pursue to overtake. It is not a work of God.

The revelation the Lord is showing you now is that spiritual attacks often come in at least three phases:

- **Phase 1**. The enemy refuses to let you go, but God brings you the initial deliverance like the Israelites after 430 years of slavery.
- Phase 2. You are released and celebrate, just like the Israelites had the Passover.

Phase 3. The enemy feels they have lost a slave, and so they return to plunder to get
what they think belongs to them. Jesus told a similar story of a more potent repeat
attack:

"When an unclean spirit comes out of a man, it passes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left.' On its return, it finds the house vacant, swept clean, and put in order. Then it goes and brings with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and dwell there; and the final plight of that man is worse than the first. So will it be with this wicked generation."" Matthew 12:43-45 BSB

This second battle or backlash will feel like it is worse than the first, just like Pharaoh sent his entire army and the Israelites were terrified, just like when a demon leaves, it comes with 7 other demons much worse than it!

This is the enemy's playbook. He does this again and again. So, phase 3 requires pure faith for it will be a worse attack than phase 1. This attack will feel like an entire army.

This calls for faith so your strength doesn't fail, for it will be like being between the enemy and an impossible sea ahead of you. It calls for faith to know that the God who delivered Moses and the Israelites will do the same.

So how do you overcome in faith? You overcome by starting to prepare your victory song, for you know the end, and that is why Moses and the Israelites sang:

But You blew with Your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters. Who among the gods is like You, O Lord? Who is like You—majestic in holiness, revered with praises, performing wonders?"

As I mentioned, this has all happened to me. The enemy got very angry at my testimony in message six, so he struck. The day I lost the second opportunity, it happened as I was in the airport traveling to the client site. I had even cleared security and was headed to my boarding gate when I saw the message from my partner saying our contract had been canceled immediately. I sat there, shocked and numb, for the attack was unexpected.

The Lord has, however, used the time since then to fortify my spirit and, hence, bring me to this point:

I am by the Red Sea, I know there is a secret path, I see the enemy will be defeated, I know that when Moses told the Israelites, "Be still, God will fight for you," the Lord countered by saying: "Go forward." This means that in this season, you go forward in faith using what God has already given you. Moses used the rod of God to part the sea. You will need to use the gift he already gave you; what do you have in your hand? Use that by faith for the sea to part!

So because I know the story and how it ends, I'm now writing my victory song.

Lord, who is like you? Thank you for your deliverance, thank you for your victory, thank you that I am going forward into the sea and the waters are parting; thank you that this journey is by faith, for when the enemy tries the same, they are covered by the same waters that part for me, thank you for the tambourine and harp you give me, that I have left Egypt and will never go that way again! Amen, and amen.

What about you? What is your story? Do you feel like you are experiencing backlash? Take heart; the enemy has done it before and will continue to do it, but we are not unaware of his tricks, for thank God who reveals the tricks clearly so his children can be strengthened, so go

forth, you will overcome the victory. Please share with me your testimony of how you overcame; write to me: dwasake@shaweleroad.com

The Message of Jesus

When the Lord Jesus first revealed himself to me in 2017, one of the times he revealed himself was as the Commander of Heaven's Armies. Many of us know Jesus as a lamb, and he is that, for he is gentle and humble. But he is also a lion, and thus, he is a warrior. A warrior king who will defend you from the attack of the evil lion and bear and the attack from the serpent and the scorpion, an attack from all the powers of darkness. You can be sure he will win because this Jesus came to this earth as a man, specifically so he could destroy the works of the enemy and buy back for his God many sons and daughters, like you and I, who the Prince of this World had oppressed. After this, Jesus died and rose again; he defeated Satan and took away from him the keys of death so that all who believe in him, even if they die, will be resurrected, and even while on this earth, those who trust him will overcome because they have a helper, the Holy Spirit who is helping us believe the message.

Do you believe? If so, and you have never trusted Jesus to be your Lord and Savior, please pray this prayer to become a Christian:

"God of heaven, I confess that I am a sinner and have been one since birth, but I have heard that you can make me new, and you sent your son Jesus to die for me. He rose again, and it is he who can give me his Holy Spirit. Please forgive me and welcome me into your Kingdom; teach me how to follow you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Lots of love, your brother in the Lord and a bondservant of Jesus Christ.

Lord Jesus, come, Maranatha! Amen.