



Dancing on the Other Side
Exodus 15:18 - 21 (NIRV)

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1. Sometimes, we find ourselves in situations where we feel we can't go _____ but we can't go _____ either.

¹⁰ As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked back. There were the Egyptians marching after them! The Israelites were terrified. They cried out to the LORD. (Exodus 14:10)

ASK: When have you felt hemmed in by life?



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Key Point: When we stay stuck in the past, we also relinquish the future. We live in the wilderness, and miss out on the Promised Land.

2. God knows the difficulties you are facing, and provides a _____!

¹⁹ The angel of God had been traveling in front of Israel's army. Now he moved back and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved away from in front of them. Now it stood behind them. ²⁰ It came between the armies of Egypt and Israel. All through the night the cloud brought darkness to one side and light to the other. Neither army went near the other all night long. (Exodus 14:19 – 20)

- **God does not deliver us just so we will return to our old ways at the first sign of trouble!**

3. Instead, God asks us to _____ him to make a way out of no way.

¹⁵ Then the LORD spoke to Moses...¹⁶ Hold out your walking stick. Reach out your hand over the Red Sea to divide the water. Then the people can go through the sea on dry ground... ²¹ Then Moses reached out his hand over the Red Sea. (Exodus 14:15-16, 21a)

¹⁷ When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17)

THE BOTTOM LINE: THE RESULT OF TRUSTING GOD IS JOY!

²⁰ Aaron's sister Miriam was a prophet. She took a tambourine in her hand. All the women followed her. **They played tambourines and danced.** ²¹ Miriam sang to them, "Sing to the LORD. He is greatly honored. He has thrown Pharaoh's horses and chariot drivers into the Red Sea." (Exodus 15:20 – 21)