

*Come Holy Spirit  
Use me to Your glory*

*Precious Pilgrim,*

*In one of your more recent letters, I mentioned to you, Pilgrim, that right now I'm in a Bible Study called "Moses - the Servant of God" by Texan Christian teacher Kathy Phillips. It has been such a gift of a study.*

*There are about 30 participants. We meet weekly to go over our answers to her questions. We do this in small groups and then come together as a whole to watch a video that goes with each lesson.*

*I'm one of the "mentors" for the small group time. My job mainly is to keep the questions going and to watch the time, as we cover the week's work. We mentors also take turns reviewing and editing Kathy's video. Time wise, we have to do that. And this week it was my turn. I am so glad, for the lesson was incredible.*

*Last week we studied the Old Testament "Passover," and simultaneously studied "Christ's Crucifixion." This week we studied the Old Testament "Parting of the Red Sea," and simultaneously studied "Christ's Resurrection."*

*I cannot and would not even attempt to give you the teaching, Pilgrim, for as you know, I'm not a teacher, but rather, an encourager. I do recommend taking the time and asking the Holy Spirit to guide and lead you in such a study.*

*(Just a few thoughts to ponder though...)*

*Old Testament "Passover" - the blood of a perfect lamb on the Hebrews' doorposts and they were saved from death for one night*

*juxtaposed to:*

*New Testament "Crucifixion" - the blood of the Perfect Lamb, our Lord Jesus on the cross and we are saved for all eternity*

*then*

*Old Testament "Dividing of the Red Sea" - "God made a way where there was no way" - for the Hebrews*

*And juxtaposed to:*

*New Testament "Resurrection" - "God made a way where there was no way for Christ and His followers.*

*That's us, Precious Pilgrim!*

*Because of Christ and His Crucifixion*

*And our belief in Him -*

*We are Resurrection People*

*Right in the here and now and*

*For all eternity!*

*Yes! "God made a way where there was no way!"*

*Jesus said:*

*"I am the way and the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me." (John 14:6)*

*and Jesus said:*

*"I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved." (John 10:9)*

*Precious Pilgrim, the weaving of the Old and New Testament is like seeing God's wonderful tapestry being woven to completion in and through the life and death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*And next week, (I've looked ahead, just a little) we'll be studying how God provided the daily manna for these Hebrew desert dwellers for 40 years!*

*That reminds me of our Lord Jesus saying, "I am the Bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." John 6:35*

*And He continues and says, "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness and they died.*

*This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die.*

*I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he shall live forever; and the bread also which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."*

*John 6:48-51*

*These past few weeks we've also seen the development of Moses by God. Moses' progression gives me hope and I hope also you, Pilgrim.*

*Early on, Moses tried in his own strength to be a deliverer of sorts for his people. Why, he went so far as to kill an Egyptian who was wrongly treating a Hebrew. Then he ran and hid for 40 years but, of course, our Lord God knew where he was the whole time. Our Father God "I AM" showed Himself in the*

*Burning Bush. Moses was shaken and shaky. He responded by saying he couldn't possibly do what his Father God wanted - to deliver His people. Why, Moses whimpered and whined and said he couldn't even talk right.*

*Moses was right. He couldn't have - in his own strength - but in God's strength, that's a whole 'nother story! The growing up into boldness of Moses in the power of the Lord has been awesome to watch. And we haven't even gotten to the Ten Commandments!*

*Pilgrim, I best stop before I get too carried away. You know my mind sometimes kicks into writing Japanese Haiku poetry when thoughts are flowing. (Maybe it's kind of a safety valve!) Remember, each verse has 3 lines and each line has a set amount of syllables: 1<sup>st</sup> has 5, 2<sup>nd</sup> has 7, 3<sup>rd</sup> has 5, and then you repeat the pattern. Try it sometime. It's a fun word discipline.*

*It just thrills me to think these very stories are ones our Lord Jesus Christ also studied and now His Holy Spirit can and does teach us.*

*Here's your Haiku poem. It's called:*

*God Will Make a Way!*

*"God will make a way!  
Precious Pilgrim, do you hear --?  
Where there is no way."*

*Egyptian Pharaoh,  
Pridefully stood against God,*

*Did harden his heart.*

*Ten plagues of torment  
Yahweh, the great I AM said  
"Let my people go!"*

*Moses did proclaim.  
He was the servant of God  
And obedient.*

*Was awesome to watch  
From burning bush to boldness,  
He became God's man.*

*Passover did come.  
The Egyptians' first born died.  
The Hebrews were saved.*

*Can you imagine?  
Perfect lamb's blood on their doors,  
Meal eaten in haste.*

*Standing, staff in hand,  
Loins girded, unleavened bread,  
They're ready to go.*

*Pharaoh lets them leave.  
Finally, insists they go.  
The Hebrews depart.*

*The great I AM leads  
Cloud by day and fire by night  
All is well - except*

*Pharaoh then pursues,  
With numerous chariots  
Seems to corner them.*

*Wrong! God is in charge.*

*Moses then said, "Do not fear.  
Stand firm. Watch God work."*

*Moses points his staff.  
The Lord parts the waters  
They crossed on dry land.*

*Egyptians follow.  
The water returns. They drown.  
God's people are saved.*

*"God made a way!  
Precious Pilgrim, do you hear --?  
Where there was no way."*

*In an Upper Room  
Another Passover Meal  
Is celebrated.*

*Jesus is the Host,  
Washes the disciples' feet.  
We're to do the same.*

*He takes and breaks bread.  
Our Lord Jesus blesses it.  
"This is my body."*

*"Take. Eat. Remember."  
Then He takes the cup of wine  
Says, "This is my blood."*

*We are to drink it.  
This is the new covenant  
A new Pascal Meal.*

*Sacrificial Lamb.  
An animal not enough  
Father God wants more.*

*Savior, Redeemer,  
A sin-free Man, Jesus Christ.  
I AM says, "I AM."*

*Says "yes" to the cross  
Only way to redeem us.  
We say "yes" to Him.*

*Crucifixion dark  
A darkness like no other  
Evil is broken.*

*The blood of Jesus,  
It does wash our sins away.  
It does cover us.*

*One night Passover?  
No, eternity set free!  
By Jesus' act.*

*And His Father God's  
Powerful resurrection  
Death is defeated!*

*God has made a way!  
Precious Pilgrim, do you hear --?  
Jesus is the Way!*

*Alleluia!*

*Blessings, Precious Pilgrim. Remember today the Good News!  
God has made a way! For you and for me. Jesus, our Lord  
Jesus, is the Way.*

*I am your sister in Christ,  
Lucy*

*God bless.*

