Jesus Is The Way Maker

I am the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King." Thus says the LORD, Who makes a way through the sea and a path through the mighty waters... (Isaiah 43:15-16)

Introduction: Jesus has the power to make a way for us to get to heaven. He made a way for and delivered millions of people over the years. Many times we look at a situation we are in and can not see the way out. Remember Jesus is the way-maker.

He who makes a way through the sea...  And a path through the mighty waters...

In verse 16, God reminded the people that He makes a way through the sea. What was God doing here do you think? What has the ‘sea’ got to do with their current predicament? What He is doing is reminding them of their past and in particular of a time when there previously seemed like there was no way out. It was the time of the exodus from Egypt when the Israelites faced certain death! Now, I know you are a busy individual so let me just give you the quick executive summary of that time as a little reminder:

- When the Israelites began their journey, God specifically lead them in a path where they would avoid trouble and confrontation. Exodus 13: 17-18 tells us ‘When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them on the road through the Philistine country, though that was shorter. For God said, "If they face war, they might change their minds and return to Egypt." So God led the people around by the desert road toward the Red Sea. The Israelites went up out of Egypt armed for battle.’

This is what the Christian would call the ‘honeymoon phase’. Did you experience something of this when you began your journey with God? Did you notice that God made things easy for you when you were born again? It is often the way as we take our first steps in the Lord.
As God did for the nation of Israel as a whole, **so He does for His people today.**

- As Israel’s journey continues, their God ordained path became more difficult and culminated in a good old fashioned dead end with the sea in front of them and the armies of Egypt behind them! Yet this was all part of the plan of God for He said to Moses *'Tell the Israelites to turn back and encamp near Pi Hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea. They are to encamp by the sea, directly opposite Baal Zephon. Pharaoh will think, 'The Israelites are wandering around the land in confusion, hemmed in by the desert.'* (Exod 14:1-3)

- *Your journey also will lead to some over-whelming situations where there is no hope – watch the action of God. It’s all part of the walk.*

- With no way back and no way forward, God does what God does best - **The impossible.** He made a way where, naturally speaking, there was no way. *'Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still."... Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.'* (Exodus 14:13-14, 21-22)

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I. **God Made A Way Out Of Danger**
   A. He parted the Red Sea for Moses
   B. He (Jesus) calmed the sea – Mark 4:39
   C. **He makes a way for us to have peace in the midst of the storms.**

II. **God Made A Way Out Of Jail**
   A. Joseph – Falsely accused. Gen. 39
   B. Paul & Silas Acts 16:25 -34 (You don’t have to write this whole scripture I will just say it.)
   C. **Jesus can set you free from the bondage your prisons.**
II. **God Made A Way Out Of Death for:**
   A. Shadrach, Meshach, & Abednigo – Daniel Chapter 3  
   B. Daniel and the lion’s den – Daniel Chapter 6  
   C. **Jesus** made a way out of death for you and me.  
      (Spiritual) Eph. 2:1 “And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;”

IV. **Jesus Made A Way Out Of A Hopeless Situation**
   A. Noah and his family. The **Ark** is a type of **Salvation**.  
   B. Gen. 6:8 “But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.”  
   C. We were lost and undone. Doomed. And the Jesus is still making a way! Praise the Lord!!!!

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Conclusion: Jesus Made A Way For You Too! Will you like so many others have accepted it and obey Him?