

# **WHAT KIND OF GOD?**

## **Part 4: A God Who Helps**

### **A LITTLE HELP HERE**

- Help: to give assistance, make it easier to do something, ease pain/discomfort
  1. Help implies not everything is being done for us
  2. We can help others navigate life but can not live it for them
  3. We all need help in life
- The Lord is One who knows we need help
  1. Jesus promised us a Helper (***John 16:7 NKJ***)
  2. Believing we have help makes a big difference in life

### **WHEN ISRAEL NEEDED HELP** (***Exodus 15:22-27 NKJ***)

- The people encountered some hardship on their journey
  1. God had miraculously delivered them
  2. Not having drinkable water was a legit problem - but not too much for God
- Israel's default mode was complaining
  1. Complained against Moses - leadership is an easy target
  2. Moses' default position was to go to God
- God provided help
  1. Moses had a part to play in God's help
  2. And God revealed Himself as The Healer
  3. Israel's next stop was an oasis (Elim)

### **STAYING CONNECTED TO THE GOD WHO HELPS**

- This life will have both bitter and better (Marah and Elim)
  1. Where we focus is important
  2. Staying grateful helps us focus on God (***1 Thessalonians 5:18 NKJ***)
  3. Complaining is never the answer - prayer is moving in the right direction
- We often will have a part to play in God's help
  1. A great prayer; Lord what is my next step? (***Psalms 16:11 NKJ***)
  2. God will not make people change
- Believe that God is your Helper and Healer
  1. He is not the source of our pain - He is the solution
  2. This belief gives us greater confidence on our journey (***2 Timothy 4:17-18 NKJ***)