To know the ways of God and the truth of his existence

Water Parting Discussion

Sea Parting Method Best Harmonizing with Scripture, Logic, Nature

People are the same weight per unit volume as water. This is called specific gravity. A person in a pool will float with lungs full of air, or will sink if air is exhaled. Wind has the same effect on water as it has on people and cattle. The term used in Exodus 14:22 and Exodus 14:29 (2 places) for wall (Hebrew 'chowmah' of water generally means a high, impenetrable barrier. And notice the singular 'WALL' is used, like it is a slight arc which continues from one side to the other, NOT two magic parallel walls as Cecil B. DeMille depicted in the film "The Ten Commandments". The Bow Inlet parting place produced just such a high 'wall' of water. The bow geography proposed by Drews - Han makes a similar alignment or design but not be an impenetrable high barrier like a city wall as the word 'chowmah' depicts. The word the scripture uses for a lesser wall of a house is 'qiyr' pronounced "key". God uses two verses Ex 14:22 and Ex 14:29, two witnesses, to solidify the concept of **A WALL** on the right and left. Interestingly also, most Bible Versions get singular 'wall' correct. Notice in both verses Exodus 14:22 and Exodus 14:29 that 'wall' is singular but 'waters' plural.

HEIGHT:

The word 'Chowmah' suggests height, as said. Exodus 14:20 says that Israel had light but there was no light for the Egyptians, presumably caused either by the wall of water, the pillar of cloud, or both. Exd 14:20 "So it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel. Thus it was a cloud and darkness [to the one], and it gave light by night [to the other], so that the one did not come near the other all that night."

An eastern full moon and an early morning eastern sun would be light all night for the Hebrews. A high wall of waters and a pillar of cloud above would block the light in front of the Egyptian army but provide light to Israel. A third reason suggesting the extended wall of waters was high is the returning surge not only drowned the army but washed them up on the shore, some distance. Evidence indicates it hit a sand riverbank to the east, which collapsed burying and washing up the army. Ex 14:30 attests to this in saying Israel saw the dead upon the shore not just at the shoreline. Moses after crossing the Red Sea was at an angle to the wall of water and able to see the light in the front and darkness behind, if darkness was due to the wall.

LOGIC: Natural or Supernatural: The water was parted either naturally, supernaturally, or by a combination of both. The Bible says the water went back "by a strong east wind blowing all night," (Exodus 14:21) indicating nature was the direct causal force, but many verses throughout the Bible give God the credit, indicating God was the primary cause using nature as the agent. About 50 Bible verses speak of God as being the God or Lord of heaven and earth.

So God supernaturally directed natural means to part the sea. Taking the Bible's words in Ex 14:21 "And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go [back] by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry [land], and the waters were divided." Rodger Dalman Th. D. says: ¹ "While God can do very unusual things, He does seem to work through natural means more often then not. It is therefore appealing to see this event as a miracle of timing rather than a gross violation of the natural physical laws which God has written into His creation."

It is a miracle of timing and much more. The Red Sea opening and closing occurred in a natural geological theater having many features essential to the event's functioning. This theater was apparently a specifically crafted landscape for hundreds of miles in all directions, a miracle of creation. It is a miracle of all the sciences. It is a miracle of practically