[Psalm 114]

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   the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,
2 Judah became his sanctuary,
   Israel his dominion.
3 The sea looked and fled;
   Jordan turned back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams,  
   the hills like lambs.
5 What ails you, O sea, that you flee?  
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God doesn’t just save you from something; He saved you for
something. The God who saved you has the power to sustain you!

[Joshua 4:5-7]

And Joshua said to them, “Pass on before the ark of the Lord your God
into the midst of the Jordan, and take up each of you a stone upon his
shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the people of
Israel, 6 that this may be a sign among you. When your children ask in
time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ 7 then you shall tell
them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the
covenant of the Lord. When it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the
Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a
memorial forever.”

The type of song you’re singing has the power to either move you
forward or keep you back. Great miracles don’t happen without great
problems. Instead of praising the problem, embrace the opportunity
for God to do great miracles in your life.

[Matthew 26:30]

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Which songs do you love to play on repeat? What themes run
through them?
2. How easy is it for you to praise (compliment, honor,
acknowledge) someone? To receive praise?
3. What does praise do for your perspective?
4. In your circumstances, what are you declaring God is going to do? What faith statements do you need to make?
5. What are some “memorial stones” of God’s faithfulness, that when you remember them, push you out of patterns and into progress?
6. What type of song are you singing? Is it moving you forward into God’s promises, or is it keeping you where you are at? What are you singing over your marriage, your children, your struggles, and your strengths?
7. You are not alone. Pray that God would put in each of us a new song.