

**Psalm 114**  
**The Providence of God**

Providence-the \_\_\_\_\_ hand of God actively at work in the affairs of all people, and all the events of life. The end result is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, whether we see it or not. The Westminster Confession defines the providence of God as thus: "God the great Creator of all things doeth uphold, direct, dispose, and govern all creatures' actions and things, from the greatest even to the least, by his most wise and holy providence, according to his infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of his own will, to the praise of the glory of his wisdom, power, justice, goodness and mercy."

I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Psalm Vs 1

- A. Israel leaving Egypt
- B. Escape from foreign rule

II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Psalm Vs 2

- A. Judah-God's sanctuary (the \_\_\_\_\_ place where God dwelt)
- B. Israel-God's dominion (The people over whom God \_\_\_\_\_)
- C. At the time of the Psalm's writing, Israel has become two independent kingdoms
  - 1. Israel-the \_\_\_\_\_ northern tribes
  - 2. Judah-the \_\_\_\_\_ southern tribes

III. The first water encounter-the Red Sea Vs 3a

- A. Cf Exodus 13-15
  - 1. Israel was \_\_\_\_\_ by God to take the path that led to the Red Sea
  - 2. The Red Sea was a place of deliverance, \_\_\_\_\_ if God intervened
- B. Life's "Red Seas"
  - 1. Those obstacles in our life that are too \_\_\_\_\_ for us to deal with
  - 2. Those obstacles in our life that God brings so that we may become more \_\_\_\_\_ on Him to remove them

IV. The second water encounter-the Jordan River Vs 3b

- A. Having wandered in the wilderness for 40 years, the nation of Israel faces another unconquerable obstacle to \_\_\_\_\_
- B. This body of water was the \_\_\_\_\_ between the old life behind them, and the new life that lay ahead
- C. This body of water was an obstacle that had to be \_\_\_\_\_ by God in order for the new life ahead to begin

V. The Land of promise \_\_\_\_\_ at the entering of the Nation of Israel Vs 4

VI. The \_\_\_\_\_ asked by the Psalmist Vs 5-6

VII. The \_\_\_\_\_ to the questions Vs 7-8

- A. The waters behaved totally \_\_\_\_\_ nature because God, the Creator, decided they would do so Vs 7
  - 1. Tremble-to shake \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Earth-\_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. The reason for the trembling-the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

B. God made the \_\_\_\_\_ happen during the wilderness journey Vs 8

1. Exodus 17

2. Psalm 78:15-16 He clave the rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink as out of the great depths. <sup>16</sup> He brought streams also out of the rock and caused waters to run down like rivers.

C. This is the \_\_\_\_\_ God today. His ways are not our ways, and his thoughts are not our thoughts, but in it all God is actively at work

1. Isa 55:6-11

2. Psalm 128:1 Blessed is everyone that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways