

2—The Hand of Rescue

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INTRO:

I. → Exodus 3:7-8

The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering."

*→ "So I have come down to **rescue them from the hand** of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey."*

- II. Heb (*natsal*) snatch away, rescue (213x)
Grk (*exaireo*) pluck out, rescue
- III. BEING IN A TRAP YOU CANNOT ESCAPE

BODY:

I. A Hand That Holds Out

A. Sometimes what we need is a hand stronger than ours.

1) **1 Samuel 17:37**

*"The Lord who **rescued** me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will **rescue** me from the hand of this Philistine."*

2) SAVING KENNY'S DOG OUT OF THE WATER

B. The salvation of Jesus is more than just spiritual.

1) **Luke 1:68-75**

He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David...

***to rescue us from the hand** of our enemies, and to enable us to serve him without fear in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.*

2) PRAYING FOR RELEASE FOR THE HOSTAGES

II. A Hand That Helps Up

A. God rescues us so we can turn around and rescue others.

1) **Galatians 1:3-4**

*Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who **gave himself** for our sins to **rescue us** from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father.*

2) **WILLIAM DONATING HIS ORGANS**

- a) Right kidney and pancreas to a woman in 40's
- b) Left kidney to a teenager who love video games
- c) Liver to a mother of two in her 50's
- d) Heart to a teenage girl who is a straight A student
- e) Lungs to a mother of 3 in her 60's

B. It is not always big miracles that save a person's life.

1) **Ephesians 4:28**

Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

2) **ORDINARY ANGELS—AND BRING SHOVELS**

III. A Hand That Hangs On

A. All of us are like a brand plucked out of the burning.

1) **Zechariah 3:2**

*And the Lord said to Satan, "The Lord rebuke you, Satan! The Lord who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a **brand plucked from the fire?**" (NKJV)*

2) **JOHN WESLEY—RESCUED FROM THE FIRE**

B. Once we are in the hands of the Lord He never lets go.

1) **John 10:27-28**

*My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will **snatch them out of my hand.***

2) **LITTLE CALLUM HOLDING MY HAND**

OTHER SCRIPTURES:

Deuteronomy 32:39

39 "See now that I myself am he!

There is no god besides me.

I put to death and I bring to life,

I have wounded and I will heal,

and no one can **deliver out of my hand.**"

Isaiah 38:4-6

4 Then the word of the Lord came to Isaiah: 5 "Go and tell Hezekiah, 'This is what the Lord, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will add fifteen years to your life. 6 And I will **deliver you** and this city **from the hand** of the king of Assyria. I will defend this city.

Isaiah 43:11-13

11 I, even I, am the Lord,

and apart from me there is no savior.

13 Yes, and from ancient days I am he.

No one can deliver out of my hand.

When I act, who can reverse it?"

Acts 7:33-34

33 "Then the Lord said to him, 'Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground. 34 I have indeed seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their groaning and have come down to **set them free**. Now come, I will send you back to Egypt.'"