

Exodus 17:8-16 **Amalek – War at Rephidim**

8 Now Amalek came and fought with Israel in Rephidim. 9 And Moses said to Joshua, "Choose us some men and go out, fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my hand." 10 So Joshua did as Moses said to him, and fought with Amalek. And Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. 11 And so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. 12 But Moses' hands became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. 13 So Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Write this for a memorial in the book and recount it in the hearing of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven." 15 And Moses built an altar and called its name, The-Lord-Is-My-Banner; 16 for he said, "Because the LORD has sworn: the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation." NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ The Amalekites came to Rephidim to fight with Israel whom they viewed as invaders of the land coming out of the land of Egypt.
- ✧ Amalek was the son of Eliphaz and Timna. [\[Genesis 36:12\]](#)
 - ◇ Eliphaz was the son of Esau and Adah. [\[Genesis 36:4\]](#)
 - ◇ Esau who was also called Edom was the father of the Edomites, and the Brother of Jacob whose name was changed to Israel the father of the Israelites, and the son of Isaac. [\[Genesis 36:9, Genesis 25:19-28, Genesis 25:30, Genesis 32:28, \]](#)
 - ◇ Isaac was the son of Abraham and Sarah, the son of promise. [\[Genesis 17:19\]](#)
- ✧ Moses sent Joshua out to lead the forces of Israel to fight against the Amalekites while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went to the top of the hill with the rod of Elohiym (God) in his hand.
- ✧ When Moses held up his hands, Israel prevailed, when Moses let down his hands, Amalek prevailed.
- ✧ They sat Moses on a rock and Aaron and Hur supported his hands until the going down of the sun.
- ✧ The Amalekites were defeated by the Israelites.
- ✧ Yehowah commanded Moses to write the account in a book as a memorial and recount it in the hearing of Joshua, stating that God will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.
- ✧ Moses built an altar there and called it Yehowah Nisiy (the Lord My Banner), because Moses said, "Yah has sworn Yehowah will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."