

The Whole of Israel All Set Out

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Text: Exodus 17:1-7

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The whole of Israel all set out
From the Desert of Sin;
They traveled forth from place to place,
Then camped at Rephidim.

But no water could they, there, find,
And so they did complain;
There were no streams from which to drink,
Nor was there any rain.

And as the people's thirst did grow,
To Moses, they did cry,
"Why did, from Egypt, you lead us,
And bring us here to die?"

So Moses cried out to the Lord,
"What, now, am I to do?
If I can't find a way to help,
My life will soon be through."

"With staff in hand, strike Horeb's rock,
For, by you, I will stand,
And, from the rock, will water flow,"
This was the Lord's command.

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Although the people doubted God,
And in His loving care,
Once more He proved His love for them,
And that He still was there.

So may we not begin to doubt
When trouble comes our way,
But trust our God in heav'n above,
Who's with us ev'ry day.

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