Psalm 114

The Exodus Miracles of the God of Jacob


B1 The Departure of Israel 114:1

C1 1 When Israel went forth from Egypt,
C2 The house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

B2 The Destination of Israel 114:2

C1 2 Judah became His sanctuary,
C2 Israel, His dominion.

A2 THE DESCRIPTION OF THE MIRACLES THROUGH METAPHOR 114:3-4

B1 Of the Waters 114:3

C1 The Red Sea: 3 The sea looked and fled; 1
C2 The Jordan River: The Jordan turned back. 2

B2 Of the Heights 114:4

C1 The mountains: 4 The mountains skipped like rams. 3
C2 The hills: The hills, like lambs.

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1 114:3 - sea: Ex. 14:21 – a reference to God’s creating a path through the Red Sea through which the people of Israel could escape and the Egyptian army would be drowned.

2 114:3 - Jordan: Josh. 3:13, 16 – a reference to God’s miraculous damming of the Jordan at flood stage so Israel could safely cross to the western bank and begin its conquest of Canaan.

3 114:4 - mountains, hills skipped: Evidently a reference to seismic activity elsewhere unrecorded in the Exodus events.
A3  THE INTERROGATION OF THE EARTH THROUGH APOSTROPHE  114:5-6

B1  Of the Waters  114:5

C1  The Red Sea:  /5/ What ails you, O sea, that you flee?

C2  The Jordan River:  O Jordan, that you turn back?

B2  Of the Heights  114:6

C1  The mountains:  /6/ O mountains, that you skip like rams?

C2  The hills:  O hills, like lambs?

A4  THE WARNING OF THE EARTH THROUGH APOSTROPHE  114:7-8

B1  The Command to Tremble before God:  /7/ Tremble, O earth, before the Lord,
Before the God of Jacob,  114:7

B2  The Reason to Tremble:  God’s ability to provide for His people water from the rock  4 114:8

C1  /8/ Who turned the rock into a pool of water,

C2  The flint into a fountain of water.

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4 114:8 - water from the rock:  Ex. 17:6; Num. 20:11 – a reference to God’s twice miraculously providing water from the rock for the thirsty Israelis.