

## **The oldest prayer in the Bible**

It is the famous song of Miriam. She was the sister of Moses and Aaron, the two liberators of the people of Israel from Egyptian slavery. When the people were finally saved on the Sinai Peninsula and after the last of Pharaoh's pursuing guards had come to an end in the Red Sea, she took a drum, beat it and began to sing:

**Sing to the Lord, for highly exalted is he,**

**He threw horse and rider into the sea.**

You will find this oldest recorded prayer of the Bible in Exodus 15:21. This little piece of Miriam's song was found. Presumably the Song of Miriam was longer, but what has been preserved for us is still noteworthy because it proves the millennia of faith in the God YHWH (YUD HE VAV HE). And to think that one is presently speaking words that were actually sung so long ago is quite impressive to me. To you too, perhaps.