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Leader Guide

BEYOND EGYPT

Learning to Walk in the Freedom of the Exodus



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THE FREEDOM OF THE EXODUS

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About the Study

A 7-week inductive Bible study on Exodus — [buy here](#)

Beyond Egypt: Learning to Walk in the Freedom of the Exodus is a 7-week inductive Bible study on the book of Exodus where author Kari Minter guides you through an in-depth look at the character of God, the story in Exodus, and how to practically use biblical knowledge to walk in freedom with God on a daily basis.

Beyond Egypt will guide you into understanding the relevance between the Old and New Testaments. You will discover the narrative of Exodus is not just a historical story of the people of Israel, but ultimately points to Christ and the gospel message. *Beyond Egypt* will exemplify the rich theology of Exodus while teaching you how to let theology impact your daily moments. Upon completion of this study, you will be in awe of how God rescues us in Christ and calls us to live beyond our slavery to sin and into our freedom in Christ.

LEADER GUIDE

Introduction

This leader guide is a tool to help you lead a small group discussion through *Beyond Egypt: Learning to Walk in the Freedom of the Exodus*. Each week of the study is represented through a focus for the week, a theological truth for the week, and questions identifying some key points studied during the week. While it is tempting to only focus on the knowledge about Exodus gained from the study, it is equally important to know God better through his Word and to seek his presence in daily life. Each week, questions 1 and 6 will help facilitate the discussion over these important aspects of a Christian's walk with God.

WEEK ONE

The Journey

Focus for This Week

THE BIBLE IS ONE BIG STORY.

A Theological Truth to Remember

GOD ALWAYS KEEPS HIS PROMISES.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice these aspects of God during your week?
2. The words "multiplied," "fruitful," "increased," and "numerous" were repeated throughout Exodus 1. What did you learn about the significance of these words?
3. Describe in your own words the covenant that God made with Abraham. How does this covenant relate to our story in Exodus?
4. Day 3 emphasized God's provision for whatever he asks of us. How have we seen this theological truth demonstrated so far in what we have studied?
5. Day 4 compared the birth of Christ to the birth of Moses. What similarities did you notice?
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK TWO

God's Plan

Focus for This Week

GOD IS ALWAYS AT WORK.

A Theological Truth to Remember

GOD'S PLAN DOES NOT ALWAYS OCCUR ON OUR TIMETABLE.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice these aspects of God during your week?
2. On Day 1, we saw Moses living an in-between reality. His own people did not want him because he represented Egypt, and he did not want Egypt because they were oppressing his people. How are we also living an in-between reality? What truth does Ephesians 2:19-20 give us about our reality?
3. Day 2 looked at the actions of God as well as the actions of the Hebrew people. What action of God stood out to you the most? Why?
4. Is there a time when God could have stepped in and used his "mighty hand" to solve a hardship in your life but instead allowed you to walk through disappointment or hard circumstances? How did your journey through a difficult circumstance help you learn to trust God more?
5. The Israelites doubted God, complained, and got discouraged as their journey toward freedom became harder than anticipated. God responds by reminding them of who he is. How does remembering God's character help our discouragement and doubting in the midst of hard circumstances?
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK THREE

God's Authority

Focus for This Week

GOD'S PLAN IS BETTER THAN WE CAN IMAGINE.

A Theological Truth to Remember

OBEDIENCE TO GOD PUTS US IN A POSITION FOR GOD TO SANCTIFY US.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice these aspects of God during your week?
2. What was God's stated purpose for the ten plagues?
3. Day 2 defined the words "justification" and "sanctification." Take a minute to define these two words again as a group. Did you learn anything new as you studied them?
4. How did studying the characters of Moses and Pharaoh help you better grasp the story of Exodus, our sanctification, and God's plan?
5. How does God's power over creation as seen in the plagues point us to the gospel and the life of Christ?
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK FOUR

Trusting God

Focus for This Week

LEARN TO TRUST GOD.

A Theological Truth to Remember

WALKING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD MEANS WE NEED TO RELEASE CONTROL OF OUR LIFE AND TRUST HIM.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice these aspects of God during your week?
2. Moses leaves Egypt in Exodus 11-12 a different man than he was when God called him to go to Egypt in Exodus 3-5. What caused this change in him?
3. On Day 1, you read a parable in Matthew 21:33-41. How did this parable help you understand the tenth plague better? Did it change your perspective at all?
4. What did you learn about Pharaoh's heart and the judgment of God?
5. How do the Passover requirements in Exodus point us toward Christ and the gospel (i.e., the blood over the door, circumcision, redeeming the firstborn of a donkey with a flock animal, etc.)?
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK FIVE

Relinquishing Control

Focus for This Week

GOD EXPECTS OBEDIENCE.

A Theological Truth to Remember

KNOWING GOD BETTER SHOULD MOTIVATE US TO OBEY HIM MORE.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice this aspect of God during your week?
2. What did you learn from the graph you filled in on Day 1? Can you relate to the Israelites' journey at all? In what way?
3. How do the manna, quail, and water from the rock help us better understand the significance of Jesus and the gospel? How does this connection change your perspective on the food and water God provided in Exodus?
4. How does fear keep the Israelites from walking in the freedom God had given them? Explain how we see in Exodus that fear and faith do not exist at the same time.
5. Day 4 reviewed what it looks like to live as a child of God. Which of the following is more difficult for you? Why?
 - Releasing control
 - Trusting God
 - Letting God fight for you
 - Remembering God's character
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK SIX

A Worshiping People

Focus for This Week

REPENTANCE LEADS TO RESTORATION.

A Theological Truth to Remember

THE CONSEQUENCE OF SIN IS HIGH, BUT THE GRACE OF GOD IS EVEN HIGHER.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice these aspects of God during your week?
2. What connections in Scripture stood out to you this week?
3. Which commandment is most difficult for you to obey? Why do you think this is?
4. On Day 3, we read about the two scenes which simultaneously occur. One scene is Moses on the mountain with God while God reveals his amazing plan for the Hebrew people. The other scene is the Hebrew people becoming weary of waiting on God and thus making their own plan. How could remembering the faithfulness of God in the past have helped the Hebrew people be patient and wait on God in their situation?
5. What did you learn about the importance of repentance as we learn to follow God?
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

WEEK SEVEN

In the Presence of the Lord

Focus for This Week

THE STORY OF GOD IN YOUR LIFE IS NOT FINISHED
BEING WRITTEN.

A Theological Truth to Remember

THERE IS NO ROOM FOR COMPROMISE WHEN IT COMES TO
FOLLOWING GOD.

Questions to Focus On

1. What characteristics of God stood out to you in this week's psalms? How did you notice this aspect of God during your week?
2. What do you think God was trying to teach the Israelites by asking them to bring offerings for the building of the tabernacle? How does generosity demonstrate a changed heart toward God?
3. Day 2 walked through the items in the tabernacle. After looking at the curtain, what is the significance of the curtain being ripped in two at the death of Jesus?
4. What connection between the tabernacle and the gospel stood out most to you this week? Why?
5. Where are you in your journey with God? Are you still in slavery to sin? Are you in freedom but still grumbling and complaining about what you do not understand? Maybe you are fearful about the future or tired of waiting on God and want to make your own plan. Or are you patiently waiting on God to move in front of you so you can obediently follow? Discuss with your group and spend time praying for each other as you strive to "learn to walk in the freedom of the exodus."
6. Which activity did you choose to practice from Day 5? What did you learn about yourself and God as you practiced?

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