



God's Grand Story, Pt. 2: Deliverance & Redemption

After more than four hundred years of the Israelites being enslaved in Egypt, God heard their cries for help. In Exodus we see him delivering his people from slavery and rescuing them from their enemies. In Leviticus we see God giving explicit instructions on how to live and how to relate to him. In Numbers we witness God guiding, providing for, and disciplining his wayward people. In Deuteronomy we hear him patiently reminding the next generation of Israelites of how to live lives that honor him, bless the world, and bring personal fulfillment.

Bottom Line: God is always active in delivering and redeeming.

Discussion Questions:

1. God doesn't always protect his people from difficult or painful circumstances. Why do you think this is true?
2. **Read Exodus 2:23-3:15.** What does God's perspective on his people's condition show us about his heart? What is his purpose for them? What do we learn about Moses from his response to God?
3. **Read Exodus 40:34-38 and 29:43-46.** What does it say to you that the God of the universe wanted to designate a place where his people could meet with him? Where are the modern-day people of God supposed to meet with him?
4. God leads his people to the border of the land he promised to give them. They sent 12 people to scout the land. **Read Numbers 13:30-14:11**, then **read Hebrews 3:7-12**. How would you have reacted to the situation if you had been one of the spies exploring the land? All the spies saw the same thing; what enabled Caleb and Joshua to interpret the situation differently? What words did God and the writer of Hebrews use to characterize the response of the 10 spies?
5. Fear often keeps us from doing the thing that we know God would have us do? How have you been able to overcome some of your fears?
6. ~What was the most challenging idea/thought to you from the message?
~What was the most helpful/encouraging thought or idea from the message this week? How did it help you?
~How can the group encourage you this week?

For resources that will help you better understand God's Grand Story, please visit this link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PaziqJT1TQlpNQTL14EH2UUvzcao0vM0OAdPs2DketA/edit?usp=sharing>

*If time doesn't allow for you to discuss all of these questions, use only the ones you feel would be most helpful for your group.