EXODUS

Week 1: Intro to Exodus

Memory Verse:

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

1) CATCH UP ON LIFE

This is when we update each other on the day in and day out happenings of our lives. Because God is our Father we are family. As church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)

Celebrate the wins - where have you seen Jesus working in the last week (shaping you to be more like Himself or working in the lives of those that He's put around you)?

What (if any) big life updates do you need to catch us up on (positive or negative)? Are there any practical needs you have right now?

Pray: Take every opportunity to pray and thank God for the good He's doing in our lives, and ask for help and healing anywhere there is pain.

2) REVIEW THE MISSION

Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit we have been sent as missionaries in everyday life to display God's glory and lead others to repentance and faith through belief in the gospel. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20)

Everyone think of one person that you are in contact with who does not know Jesus. Let's take a moment to pray for each of them by name, asking the Lord to open opportunities for us to connect with them.

3) DISCUSS AND ENGAGE

Since we follow Jesus we seek to apply the Gospel continually to all of life. God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, to equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, to show us our sin, and to strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25).

Read Exodus 1:1-14

Where can we see God's blessing on the Israelite people in this section?

How do you reconcile God's plan being at work with how horrible everything seems to be for the Israelite people?

Read Exodus 1:15-22

What are some of the things you are fearful of?

How does Pharoah's inability to accomplish his will against Israel encourage you as you consider the things you fear?

What are you tempted to live in greater awe of than God? Why do you think this is?

Where do you need trust in the promises of God and step out in courage and obedience?