

DISCUSSION GUIDE

THE BOOK OF EXODUS

What to do right after the service to help “the Word dwell more richly,” within us (Colossians 3:16):

1. Instead of rushing off after the service is over, or talking about the latest news, develop the habit of talking about the sermon with people after church. Start spiritual conversations by asking, “How did the Scripture challenge or speak to you today?” Or “what about God in the message encouraged you?”

2. Encourage someone by sharing things you learned about God from His Word during the sermon. Make note of how your thinking has changed. Don’t let biblical teaching be a one-time event that fades from memory as soon as it is over (James 1:22-25). Choose one or two particular applications to share

[Above from book *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church Member*]

For further Application, Meditation and Conversation on today’s text:

Date: 8/14/2022 –God’s Unstoppable Promises (Exodus 1)

1. In Exodus 1:1-16, there’s no mention of God. What might be the reason for that and what are some truths from this story to keep in mind even when God seems absent?

2. How does the theme of God’s fulfillment of promises help you understand Exodus 1? What were some of the promises He fulfilled from Genesis? How should this give us hope if we are going through affliction?

3. Why is it good news that God’s promises don’t depend on man, and that they can’t be stopped by sinful man? Where else have you seen that in the Bible? In your life?

4. How do Pharaoh’s words and actions in this story show the futility and irony of evil and prideful man’s efforts to oppose God? How might this relate to other passages (consider Genesis 11, 50:20, Psalm 2, Acts 4-5, etc.)?

5. How does the promise of Genesis 3:15 come into play in this story? How does it help to view this story in the bigger story and think of Christ’s ultimate victory? Where do you need to remember your struggle is not ultimately against flesh and blood?

6. What passages in the NT also illustrate the truth of God’s unstoppable promises? Are there promises the Bible gives you that you need to trust God for? Can you think of promises God has fulfilled in your life? Share with someone to encourage them today