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Have a group member read **Exodus 2:11-22**

Put yourself in Moses' place. How would you feel living as an Egyptian nobleman, knowing that the Egyptians were oppressing your own family?

STUDY AND APPLY

1. Read Acts 7:23-29 (a portion of Stephen's speech). How does this account add to your understanding of the Exodus account?
2. What purpose do these two scenes from 2:11-22 in the life of Moses serve? How do they look back to what has already occurred and prepare us for what is to come?
3. What do you learn about Moses' character, thoughts, feelings, and heart at this stage of his life? If you were to describe a portrait of what kind of person he was from this passage, how would you describe him?
4. Read Hebrews 11:24-27. What more do we learn here about Moses? Why is this significant?
5. Moses' first attempt to deliver one of his own people from oppression ends in complete failure and he flees from Egypt to Midian and remains there for forty years. This was a time of enduring God's discipline and as Hebrews 11 describes, the reproach of Christ. Describe a time when God used a failure to teach and mature you. What did you learn about yourself? About God?
6. Looking back at the beginning and the ongoing experience of your Christian life, how have you found yourself identifying as a "sojourner in a foreign land"?
7. What insight from 2:11-22 seems most personally significant to you in your life right now?

PRAY