THE EPIC JOURNEY OF BEING



## OPEN

How is your prayer life, currently? Is it ever hard to believe that God is hearing you or responding?

Have a group member read Exodus 2:23-25

## STUDY AND APPLY

- 1. How would you describe the tone of this passage?
- 2. Why does the text mention that the king of Egypt died? Think back to why Moses is currently not in Egypt? How might this detail affect the storyline?
- 3. God is the subject of four successive verbs ("God knew...God remembered...God saw...God knew"). Why do you think the text repeats "God" as the subject here?

## Read Genesis 17:1-8, then Genesis 15:13-14

- 4. God is moved to act because of the covenant he made with their ancestors. In Scripture, covenants are a central means by which God interacts with humanity and brings about his redemption. After Adam broke his covenant with God by disobeying him, God made a series of covenants with Noah, Abraham (reaffirmed to Isaac and Jacob), Israel, David, and Jesus—to restore humanity's fractured relationship with him. Why do you think God's covenant is mentioned at this point in the Exodus story?
- 5. The Israelites' circumstances were not a surprise to God. He was paying close attention to their struggle, and their cries for help moved God's heart into action. Why is it good to meditate on these truths in both good times and bad?
- 6. What attributes of God do you see in this week's passage that particularly struck you? How should it change the way you pray, think, speak or act this week?

PRAY