

God is for You
Exodus 16, John 6:32-35, Ephesians 2:10, Exodus 14

Directions: This week, take some time to reflect back on the latest series, “From Here to There.” If you are meeting with your small group, we encourage you to make this a time for personal sharing and prayer. If you’re reflecting on these questions on your own, we encourage you to record your answers in a journal and consider sharing with someone else. As always, we’d love to hear your personal stories and takeaways, which are a testimony to how God has worked in the midst, as well as to His glory. You can email us your story @

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1. Throughout the series, Pastor Dave asked us “whatever your Here is – whatever you’re starting FROM - will you trust the God who wants to lead us There?” In what specific ways has your trust in God been impacted by studying Exodus? What steps of faith have you taken towards “there?”
2. The story of Manna in the wilderness (Exodus 16) demonstrates how God used the Israelites hunger to turn their attention back to Him, to remind them all that He is what they need more than anything. Pastor Dave made that same connection for us, saying that our physical hunger should point to our SOUL HUNGER, and our soul hunger should lead us to Christ. Before Jesus, how did you try and satisfy your “hunger?” How did your “hunger” eventually lead you to Jesus?
3. While God is always preparing us for the next thing He has for us (Eph. 2:10), He also needs to prepare us before we’re ready to do them. In the case of Moses, this took 40 years – “in the desert.” We also see this throughout Scripture: Joseph, David, John the Baptist, even Jesus before He started His ministry. God uses these times to provide several benefits, such as giving us patience, empathy, and humility. From where you are now, can you look back and see how God used your “desert times” to prepare you for where He was leading you?
4. We have all, at one point or another, faced Red Sea-type situations (Exodus 14). They seem impossible, fill us with deep fear, and lead to irrational thinking. But, when God brings us thru them, He gives us an even greater fear and reverence of Him so that we don’t fear anything else, and a greater trust in Him instead of ourselves and our own capabilities. Share your “Red Sea Story” and the impact it had on your relationship with Christ.
5. Exodus reminds us that God is a personal, intimate God who loves us deeply. End your time in prayer. Thank God for saving you; for all the ways He’s prepared you and will continue to do so; and for His guidance and provision through difficult times. Thank Him for His Son Jesus, who went to the cross to restore our relationship with Him. Thank Him for His constant presence and work in our life. Ask for the Spirit’s help in trusting Him fully, and for a heart that is willing to follow Him as He leads you “from here to there.”