

## **Sermon Discussion Questions**

August 17, 2025 Exodus 13:1-16 Rejoicing in God

- 1. Pastor Clint teaches about rejoicing in God's ability through the repeated phrase 'strong hand of the Lord' in Exodus 13. What areas of your life feel impossible right now where you need to trust in God's strong hand? When was the last time you experienced God's 'strong hand' working in your life in a way that seemed impossible to you?
- 2. The sermon discusses how God calls us to be holy and makes us holy through Christ. Why is it significant that we can't make ourselves holy, but must receive holiness through Jesus? How does understanding that your holiness comes from Christ, not your own efforts, change how you approach your daily walk with God?
- 3. In Exodus 13:13, an unclean animal (donkey) must be redeemed by a lamb or die. How does this picture help us understand our need for redemption through Christ? What does it mean to you personally that Jesus chose to be your 'redemption lamb'?
- 4. Pastor Clint warns against finding joy in nostalgia or the past rather than the future God has for us. Why is it dangerous to dwell on 'what could have been' rather than pressing forward in faith? What past experiences or regrets do you need to release to better focus on God's future for you?
- 5. The sermon emphasizes the importance of personal testimony in verses 8 and 15 of Exodus 13. Why is it significant that God wants us to share not just what He did for Israel, but what He has done for us personally? How would you describe what God has personally done in your life to someone who doesn't know Him?