

Discussion Guide

questions to help start or continue conversations about faith

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Passage: Exodus 3:1-10; 5:1-4 (key verses: 3:8; 5:1)

Observation (look at the text):

- v 3:1-10 – Where did Moses end up leading this flock at the beginning of the narrative?
- v 3:1-10 – What command did God immediately give Moses and how did He identify Himself? How did He identify the Israelites (3:7)?
- v 3:1-10 – What did God say He had seen, heard, what was He concerned about, and what did He do as a result?
- v 3:1-10 – What did He tell Moses to do as a result (specifically, 3:10, 5:1)?
- v 5:1-4 – What was Pharaoh's reason for not letting the people go (see 5:2).

Interpretation (understand what it means):

- Look on a map in the back of your Bible, look up on Google, or in a Bible commentary – what do you find out about Horeb? What is the significance to this place later for this people?
- God saw how His people were being oppressed and came down “to rescue them.” Why do you think He sent a man to do this? Who does Moses foreshadow and in what way?

Application (apply the Word of God to life):

- We throw around phrases like “Jesus rescues us,” and “Jesus saves me,” but beyond our initial salvation, what does that really mean? How would you explain to someone how Jesus can rescue us from adultery or persistent lying, pride, or some other sin you struggle with?
- Do you think God “hears the cries” of Christians and non-Christians? Who qualifies as “His people”?

