

## SERMON NOTES

SERIES: Exodus: Set Free. Live Free.

TITLE: Set Free, Live Free

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We are in our new series on the Book of Exodus from the Old Testament. Why study this book? For one, it's simply an epic story of good versus evil. As far as the Jewish people are concerned, it is the "greatest story ever told". The themes of this book will help us to better understand the great salvation that has come to us through the Cross of Christ, which has set us free.

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### Why Study Exodus?

1. **It is a great story.**
2. **For the Jews, the Exodus is the greatest story ever told.**

Professor and author D.A. Carson puts it this way: **The Exodus of God's people out of Egypt "is the greatest redemptive event in the Old Testament."**

**God set Israel free so they would live free as his people.**

**For the Jews, the Exodus defined their salvation in the same way the cross defines our salvation.**

**Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible to remind Israel that they were *set free to live free*.**

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### What is Redemption?

**Redemption is God acting to set broken people free from the powers that oppress them so they can live free as his people.**

**The Exodus points forward to the larger story of redemption that has come to us in Christ.**

Author Christopher Wright puts it this way: **"[The Exodus] points beyond itself to a greater need for deliverance from the totality of evil and restoration with God than it achieved by itself. Such a deliverance was accomplished by Jesus Christ in his death and resurrection."**

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**For Discussion:**

1. Where do you need to walk in the freedom Christ has won for you instead of thinking you are enslaved?
2. You have been set free to live free. Are you living free?