



## READING PLAN

Exodus is a defining book of the Bible, revealing how God delivers His people from slavery and leads them into true freedom. This sermon series follows Moses' calling, the plagues, the Passover, the Red Sea crossing, and Israel's journey into covenant with God. Along the way, the Israelites wrestle with fear, doubt, and old habits—just like we do today. Through every struggle, God shows His power, mercy, and faithful presence. Discover how the story of Exodus points to the freedom God still offers His people today.

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## JAN 4: Oppressive Increase – Exodus 1:1-22

1. Israel increases the most when oppression intensifies. What does this reveal about God’s pattern of advancing His purposes precisely when His people are pressured or mistreated?
  - How does this pattern challenge the idea that comfort equals God’s blessing?
2. Why do oppressive rulers often target God’s people when they begin to flourish, and what does Pharaoh’s fear-driven strategy show about human attempts to stop what God has blessed?
  - Where do you see culture or government today trying to restrain biblical truth or Christian influence?
3. In a season of oppressive increase, the Hebrew midwives had to choose fear of God over fear of Pharaoh. What does their choice reveal about faithfulness under pressure?
  - What pressures tempt you to compromise obedience—career, relationships, reputation, political correctness?
4. How does God’s blessing on the midwives (giving them families) demonstrate His commitment to honor those who stay faithful even in oppressive environments?
  - How does this passage challenge the idea that “faithfulness doesn’t pay off”?
5. How does Pharaoh’s attempt to kill Hebrew boys fit into the larger biblical theme of Satan opposing the line that will bring the Messiah, and how does God’s unstoppable increase confront spiritual hostility today?
  - Where do you need to adopt a more spiritually aware posture instead of reacting only to the “visible” conflict?

### **Kid-Friendly Questions:**

1. *Why do you think God sometimes lets hard things happen? Can you think of something hard that ended up helping you learn, grow, or trust more?*
2. *When someone tries to stop something good from happening (like Pharaoh tried), why does God’s plan still win anyway? Does this help you feel brave when good things seem blocked or difficult?*
3. *Why is doing what’s right sometimes harder—but also more important—when everyone around you is choosing the wrong thing? When have you had to do the right thing even though it was scary?*



## JAN 11: Miraculously Saved – Exodus 2:1–10

1. How does Moses' survival show God's sovereignty over even the smallest details (a basket, a river, a princess, a crying baby)?
  - What does this teach us about God's providence and human obedience?
2. Moses' mother risked everything to obey God and protect her child. What does this reveal about courageous faith in the face of fear?
  - Where might fear be holding you back from obedience?
3. Pharaoh intended the Nile to be a place of death, yet God turned it into the place of Moses' deliverance. How does God transform danger into salvation?
  - Have you had a "Nile moment" where God brought life from loss?
4. Pharaoh's own daughter becomes the rescuer of the child who would challenge Egypt. What does this teach about God using unexpected people?
  - Where might God use unlikely people in your life?
5. Moses' identity includes both Israelite birth and Egyptian upbringing. How does this dual identity prepare him for God's calling?
  - How has your own background shaped your calling?

### **Kid-Friendly Questions:**

1. *Why does God sometimes use surprising things (like a basket or a princess) to keep people safe? What surprising ways has God helped you?*
2. *Moses' family trusted God even when life was scary. Why is trusting God harder in scary times – and why is it still worth it? What helps you trust God when you're worried?*
3. *God saved Moses so he could help others later. Does God sometimes protect us so we can help others too? Who might God want you to help?*



## JAN 18: Murderous Escape – Exodus 2:11–25

1. Moses kills the Egyptian in an attempt to deliver justice. What happens when we try to accomplish God’s purposes using our own methods instead of His?
  - Where have you acted out of impulse instead of obedience?
2. Moses’ failed attempt to deliver Israel shows human weakness. Why does God often allow failure as part of shaping a servant?
  - What has failure taught you spiritually?
3. Moses flees into Midian, yet God is preparing him. How does God use seasons of exile, isolation, or waiting?
  - What “Midian season” have you gone through?
4. God hears Israel’s groaning and remembers His covenant. What does this teach us about God’s faithfulness despite His people’s failures?
  - Where do you struggle to believe God still hears you?
5. Moses ends this chapter powerless; God is about to begin His work. Why does God often strip His servants before using them?
  - Where might God be dismantling your self-sufficiency?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why do you think doing the right thing the wrong way can still cause trouble?*
2. *Moses ran away and felt alone. Why might God use lonely times to teach us?*
3. *God heard the cries of His people. Why is it important to remember God always listens?*



## JAN 25: Burning Bush – Exodus 3:1–22

1. God meets Moses in an ordinary place with an extraordinary sign. How does God often break into normal life to get our attention?
  - Are you expecting God in everyday places?
2. God calls Moses by name. What does this reveal about God’s personal involvement with His people?
  - What keeps you from believing God knows you personally?
3. Moses is commanded to remove his sandals. What does this teach about God’s holiness and our posture before Him?
  - Where has reverence faded in your spiritual life?
4. Moses resists God’s call with excuses. What excuses do we tend to make today when God calls us?
  - What fears are influencing your excuses?
5. God promises deliverance that seems impossible. How does this deepen trust in His power over impossible circumstances?
  - What situation feels impossible to you?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why do you think God sometimes shows He is near in surprising ways?*
2. *Moses was scared to lead. Why is it comforting that God promised to go with him?*
3. *What does it mean that God hears people when they are hurting?*



## FEB 1: Staff in Hand – Exodus 4:1-17

1. Moses doubts people will believe him. What does this reveal about the dangers of trusting others' opinions more than God's voice?
  - How much do others' reactions control you?
2. God turns a staff into a serpent and back. What does this teach about God's ability to use ordinary objects for extraordinary purposes?
  - What ordinary part of your life might God want to use?
3. Moses' hand becomes leprous and healed. How does this sign remind us of God's power to judge and restore?
  - Where have you seen God both convict and heal?
4. Moses keeps resisting, saying he's "not eloquent." Why do people cling to their weaknesses as excuses?
  - What weakness do you over-focus on?
5. God provides Aaron, showing grace despite Moses' resistance. What does this teach about God's patience with reluctant servants?
  - How has God been patient with you?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why is it cool that God can use ordinary things (like a stick) for miracles?*
2. *Moses kept saying, "I can't!" Why does God help us when we feel nervous?*
3. *God gave Moses a helper (Aaron). Why does God sometimes give us helpers too?*



## FEB 8: Return to Egypt – Exodus 4:18–31

1. Moses obeys God and begins the journey back. What does this teach about obedience even when the future feels uncertain?
  - Where are you hesitating to obey?
2. God warns Moses of Pharaoh’s hardened heart. What does this reveal about spiritual warfare and persistent opposition?
  - How should you respond when obedience leads to resistance?
3. The “bridegroom of blood” moment is shocking. What does the seriousness of covenant remind us about God’s holiness?
  - Where have you minimized God’s commands?
4. Aaron meets Moses joyfully. What does this show about God sending the right people at the right time?
  - Who has God sent to support you?
5. The people believe and worship. Why is worship the right response when God begins to move?
  - Do you worship God for what He’s doing even before you see results?

### **Kid-Friendly Questions:**

1. *Why is obeying God sometimes scary but still good?*
2. *God sent Aaron to help Moses. Why is it important to have people who encourage us?*
3. *The people worshiped God. Why should we thank God when He helps us?*



## FEB 15: Brick Making – Exodus 5:1–21

1. Obedience leads to worse circumstances at first. What does this teach about misplaced expectations in the Christian life?
  - Do you expect obedience to make life easier?
2. Pharaoh rejects God’s word and increases cruelty. What does this reveal about hardened hearts resisting God?
  - Where do you see evidence of spiritual hardness today?
3. Israel blames Moses when things get worse. Why do people often turn on spiritual leaders under pressure?
  - Where have you blamed others instead of trusting God?
4. God allows Israel to face injustice before deliverance. How does this challenge our desire for immediate relief?
  - Where are you demanding quick answers from God?
5. Moses’ early leadership is met with hostility. What does this teach about perseverance in the face of rejection?
  - Where do you need endurance?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why do hard times not always mean God is gone?*
2. *Moses tried to help and people got upset. Why is doing the right thing sometimes misunderstood?*
3. *How can we trust God when things feel unfair?*



## FEB 22: Questioning God – Exodus 5:22–6:12

1. Moses questions God after obedience seems to make things worse. What does this reveal about the struggle between faith and disappointment?
  - Where have you felt let down even while obeying God?
2. God answers Moses by reminding him of who He is. Why does God often respond to our questions with truth about His character rather than explanations?
  - Which of God's attributes do you forget under pressure?
3. Israel refuses to listen because their spirits are broken. How does suffering affect a person's ability to hear God?
  - Where has pain closed your ears?
4. God recommissions Moses even after Moses expresses doubt. What does this teach about God's patience with struggling believers?
  - Where is God calling you despite hesitation?
5. Moses insists he is "of uncircumcised lips." Why do people fixate on their inadequacy instead of God's power?
  - What inadequacy do you magnify?

### **Kid-Friendly Questions:**

1. *Why is it okay to talk to God when we're confused or upset?*
2. *God reminded Moses who He is. Why does remembering who God is help us feel safe?*
3. *Why is it important to trust God even when things seem worse before they get better?*



## MAR 1: Aaron's Staff – Exodus 6:13–7:13

1. God commands Moses and Aaron again, showing His persistence. What does this teach about God's determination to use imperfect servants?
  - Where have you doubted God's persistence with you?
2. The genealogy connects Moses and Aaron to Israel's history. Why is spiritual identity crucial for spiritual calling?
  - How does your identity in Christ shape your confidence?
3. God makes Moses "like God" to Pharaoh and Aaron his prophet. What does this reveal about divine authority in spiritual conflict?
  - Where do you underestimate the authority God gives His people?
4. The staff-sign confronts Pharaoh's magicians. What does this teach about the reality of spiritual counterfeits?
  - Where do you see counterfeits to truth today?
5. Pharaoh's heart remains hard. How should believers persevere when truth is opposed?
  - How do you stay steady when obedience seems unproductive?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why did God use a simple staff to show His power?*
2. *Why is it important to remember we belong to God's family?*
3. *Why should we keep doing what's right even when people don't listen?*



## MAR 8: Plagues & More Plagues – Exodus 7:14–10:20

1. The escalating plagues show God’s increasing pressure on Pharaoh. What does this teach about God’s judgment and patience?
  - Where do you see God patiently warning before disciplining?
2. The magicians eventually admit, “This is the finger of God.” Why do people sometimes acknowledge truth only when they can no longer deny it?
  - What truth did you resist before finally accepting?
3. God distinguishes between Egypt and Israel in some plagues. What does this reveal about God’s covenant protection?
  - Where have you seen God’s protection in hardship?
4. Pharaoh repeatedly promises relief but hardens again. What does this teach about shallow repentance?
  - Where are you tempted to repent only to escape consequences?
5. The plagues expose the powerlessness of Egypt’s gods. How does God still expose false gods in modern life?
  - What idols has God dismantled in your life?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why do you think God sent many plagues instead of just one?*
2. *How does it help us trust God when He protects His people?*
3. *Why is it important to keep your promises instead of changing your mind like Pharaoh?*



## MAR 15: The Passover – Exodus 11–12:30

1. God's final plague reveals the seriousness of sin. How does this deepen understanding of the cost of salvation?
  - Where have you minimized sin?
2. The Passover lamb points directly to Jesus. How does this deepen worship and understanding of redemption?
  - How does seeing Jesus in Exodus strengthen your faith?
3. The blood on the doorposts required obedience. What does this teach about responding to God's instructions even when they seem unusual?
  - Where do you struggle to follow God fully?
4. The plague struck all of Egypt except homes covered by blood. What does this teach about the security found in God's provision?
  - Do you live as someone truly covered and secure?
5. Israel leaves in haste. How does urgency highlight the seriousness of God's deliverance?
  - What keeps you from treating God's commands urgently?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why did God tell the people to put blood on their doors?*
2. *How does Jesus protect us the way the lamb protected Israel?*
3. *Why should we obey God even if we don't fully understand why?*



## MAR 22: The Exodus – Exodus 12:31–51

1. Pharaoh finally releases Israel. What does this reveal about God’s unstoppable power to deliver?
  - Where do you need to trust God’s power more?
2. Israel leaves quickly, showing readiness. What does readiness look like in the Christian life?
  - Where are you spiritually unprepared?
3. Egyptians give Israel resources as they leave. What does this teach about God providing through unexpected means?
  - How has God provided unexpectedly for you?
4. The mixed multitude joins Israel. What does this show about God’s heart for outsiders?
  - How should believers welcome others into God’s family?
5. Israel’s deliverance is tied to God’s covenant faithfulness. How does remembering God’s past faithfulness strengthen you today?
  - What past deliverance do you need to remember?

### ***Kid-Friendly Questions:***

1. *Why did the people have to leave Egypt so fast?*
2. *How does God take care of His people when big changes happen?*
3. *Why is it good to remember the ways God has helped us before?*