Slavery to Home: Exodus Suzy Bates Exodus 2:11 - 17 September 16, 2018

Small Group Discussion Questions

We are on a journey from slavery and brokenness to home

We can see glimpses of our own story in the Exodus story.

*How have you been finding yourself in these stories in Exodus over the past couple of weeks?

True freedom often comes from the inside out

We have to be liberated physically and confront what's inside of us.

*How have you seen these perspectives to be bound to one another in your own life?

Read and discuss

Exodus 2:11-17 (NIV)

¹¹ One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. ¹² Looking this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. ¹³ The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, "Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?"

¹⁴ The man said, "Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?" Then Moses was afraid and thought, "What I did must have become known."

¹⁵ When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well. ¹⁶ Now a priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came to draw water and fill the troughs to water their father's flock. ¹⁷ Some shepherds came along and drove them away, but Moses got up and came to their rescue and watered their flock.

*What does this passage tell us about the struggle Moses was having to figure out who he was? *How can we relate to these verses in our own lives? Do you see yourself here?

'Could I change it if I wanted, could I rise about the flood? Will it wash out in the water or is it always in the blood?'

We are shaped not only by who God has created us to be, but by our past and roots.

*What are a few things about your roots that have shaped you? What are some things that you feel God made you to be?

*How do these things help or hurt us in our journey from slavery to home?

We have to let God wash some things out of us in the water before we can believe what is in our blood

*How can we determine what should be washed out and what is in our blood? *If you are comfortable, what are some things that need to be washed out in the water?