

Slavery to Home: Exodus

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Exodus 6:28 – 7:13

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**Small Group Discussion Questions**

**We continue to see in the book of Exodus, God using Moses to lead people out of physical slavery and spiritual slavery**

\*What has God been showing you so far in this study of Exodus?

**Read and discuss**

Exodus 6:28 – 7:13 (NIV)

<sup>28</sup> Now when the LORD spoke to Moses in Egypt, <sup>29</sup> he said to him, “I am the LORD. Tell Pharaoh king of Egypt everything I tell you.”

<sup>30</sup> But Moses said to the LORD, “Since I speak with faltering lips, why would Pharaoh listen to me?”

<sup>7</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, “See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet. <sup>2</sup> You are to say everything I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country. <sup>3</sup> But I will harden Pharaoh’s heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt, <sup>4</sup> he will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with mighty acts of judgment I will bring out my divisions, my people the Israelites. <sup>5</sup> And the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out of it.”

<sup>6</sup> Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD commanded them. <sup>7</sup> Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three when they spoke to Pharaoh.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, <sup>9</sup> “When Pharaoh says to you, ‘Perform a miracle,’ then say to Aaron, ‘Take your staff and throw it down before Pharaoh,’ and it will become a snake.”

<sup>10</sup> So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the LORD commanded. Aaron threw his staff down in front of Pharaoh and his officials, and it became a snake. <sup>11</sup> Pharaoh then summoned wise men and sorcerers, and the Egyptian magicians also did the same things by their secret arts: <sup>12</sup> Each one threw down his staff and it became a snake. But Aaron’s staff swallowed up their staffs. <sup>13</sup> Yet Pharaoh’s heart became hard and he would not listen to them, just as the LORD had said.

\*What does Moses experience in this passage?

\*How do you identify with him? What would you expect him to be feeling?

**God’s goal was bigger than just delivering His people from Egypt**

It was to alert everyone, everywhere to the reign of God.

\*How can we keep His greater goal in mind when things aren’t going our way?

\*Looking back, when was a time that a failure was actually a precursor to a greater part of God's plan?

**Moses' second meeting with Pharaoh was an act of courageous faith**

He did right even when he already knew it would go wrong.

\*What has this 'discipline of failure' looked like in your life?

\*What have you learned about yourself? About God?

**Immediate obedience does not equal immediate results**

You can be doing right and not get the results.

\*How can we discern what God is saying in the lack of results in our obedience?

\*How do we remain encouraged to keep doing right?