EXODUS THE GREAT ESCAPE

MARCH — 2023

WK 3: Escaping To 03.26.23 | Pastor Randy

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RECAP

Sermon Recap: Review the sermon with your group, highlighting the following:

- What is it in your life that you struggle to go TO because you keep going back to where God brought you FROM?
- God gives His own proclamation of His character
- The Tabernacle was to remind the people that God had a covenant with them and they were not alone.
- The promise of the land flowing with milk and honey was sure, but the journey there was not easy; have you stopped going toward our promised land because of difficulties?
- God has provided His Church a covenant, constructed the plan for worship, and has called us to His Kingdom. Is your Journey following to Jesus or to you?

GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. Read Luke 22:14-23, notice verse 20. Jesus gives this new covenant after He and the disciples observed Passover, the Old Covenant. How can Jesus give a new covenant? How does the old covenant differ from the new covenant?
- 2. Read Exodus 34:6-7. What about the proclamation about the LORD (Yahweh) stand out to you? What Biblical examples can you think of that would be examples of each characteristic? Explain visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children to the third and fourth generation. Hint: does God punish people for their grandparent's sin or is this dealing with generational curses that affect future generations because of the introduction to a sin?
- 3. There are seven furniture items that are listed in the tabernacle: the ark of the covenant, the mercy seat, table for showbread, golden lampstand, bronze altar, altar of incense, bronze basin. How does each of these represent Jesus? The tabernacle was used to show the Israelites that God was with them always and desired a holy relationship with them. Read Hebrews 9 and explain how it relates Jesus as the fulfillment of the Tabernacle.
- 4. Who are Oholiab and Bezalel? Read Exodus 31:1-11 and Exodus 36-37. These men were not prophets or priests, but they were just as valuable and called as Moses or Aaron. Bob Jones, Sr. said, "For the Christian, there is no difference between the sacred and the secular." What are some other examples in the Bible where God uses non-pastors for His glory? Who is a good example in your life of someone that God has used in a special way?

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- 5. Read Exodus 32. Put in your own words what happened when Moses came down from Mt. Sinai. Notice verses 4, 24, 15, 19, 25, 30, 32, 34. How does this passage reflect our relationship with Jesus?
- 6. The LORD is continually reminding the Israelites of the land that He is taking them TO. Do you spend more time reflecting on your past or your future? Read Jeremiah 29:11. Are you confident that God's plan for you is good? What is one thing you need to do in order to quit looking behind and looking forward?

PRAYER

Reference Exodus 33:18-20. See how Moses' prays. *Before he petitions, Moses reminds God of the "favor" God has already given him, and then prays based on this stated promise. This is a model for powerful prayer. He prays from God's grace unto God's grace. He requests favor, not based on his merits or his own spiritual ideas, but upon God's earlier favor. Thus, his prayer is according to God's will, not his own.* How can looking at the way Moses prayed impact your own prayer life?

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