

THE JOURNEY OF EVERY MAN.

Look at the extraordinary life of Moses – his life in Egypt, his part in a murder, retreat to the desert and God's call for him return to the scene of the crime and demand the release of the Jews. In each step of his life, Moses had to face identity crises that we all face: Who am I? What does God really want from me? What am I chasing and what am I running from? Just like every man, Moses had a lot to figure out – join us for eight weeks of figuring it out together.



WEEK ONE: EVERY MAN HAS A STORY

KEY SCRIPTURE: EXODUS 2:1-10

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- 1. Is there a movie that deals with someone's life story that you would watch over and over? What is it?
- 2. As a group, re-read Exodus 2:1-10. So why did God include all the stuff in Exodus about the backstory of Moses as a baby and growing up in Pharaoh's court? Why didn't God just start off with the showdown between Moses and Pharaoh?
- **3.** Was this a story of a quick-thinking mother or was God working behind the scenes? If God was working, how have you seen him work behind the scenes in your life?

SO NOW WHAT?

Listen – this is important – God could snap his fingers and achieve anything he wants, but he seems to prefer working through the lives of people. God's work through people becomes a story that other people can learn from and use to seek him. Not every man has a dramatic story but every man has a story that is worth sharing and is helpful to other men. Today we are going to help you identify your story.

1. Think through your story for a few minutes. Actually, grab a pencil and some paper (or make notes on your phone) and take five minutes or so and write down where God has impacted your life over the years.

Some thoughts to help you:

- What kind of kid were you growing up?
- When did you first hear about God or Jesus or grace?
- · What was your reaction to the truth of God?
- · Was there a time when you started taking it seriously?
- Did life change happen after you started following Jesus?
- What has life been like since?
- 2. Give everyone in your group a chance to share some of their story consider setting a timeframe, like five minutes for each person (or whatever is appropriate).

PRAYER

Take time to affirm each others' stories by thanking God through prayer for how he is working in each others' lives.

GO DEEPER

Read this story of Vietnamese prisoner Hien Pham. Forced to clean bathrooms in prison, he had given up on God, but God did not give up on him in the most inlikely places: <u>https://sermons.faithlife.com/sermons/28754-ravi-zacharias:-hien-pham</u>