



MOSES

MOSES - WEEK 1 STUDY GUIDE

OPEN

Read Exodus 2:11-22 and Acts 7:23-29.

How does the account in Acts add to your understanding of the account in Exodus?

REFLECT

What purpose do these two “scenes” in the life of Moses serve? How do they look back to what has already occurred and prepare us for what is to come?

What does the incident in verses 11-15 reveal about Moses’ sense of identity? About his character?

What light do verses 16-22 shed on Moses’ thoughts and feelings? What do his marriage and the naming of his son reveal about his outlook on his future?

Moses’ first attempt to deliver one of his own people from oppression is a complete failure.

What do you think he believed about himself? About God’s estimation of him? Why might God have allowed him to fail in that way?

APPLY

Why is fleeing from our sin and guilt always a bad idea? How does it keep us from loving God and others? Think of examples from your own life. Why is owning and confessing what we have done essential to our spiritual health?

Describe a time when God used a failure to teach you and mature you. What did you learn about yourself? About God?

CLOSE

What attribute of God did you see in this week’s passage that particularly struck you? How should it change the way you pray, think, speak or act this week?

IDEAS FOR FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP

TIME

Set aside a time this week for your household to read Exodus 2:11-22. Then go through these questions together:

Have you ever been ashamed or scared after you did something wrong?

What difficult consequences did you have to face afterward?

If someone said to you, “God doesn’t like me when I’m bad,” what would you say to them?

How can your family be better at sharing how you've hurt each other and asking for/offering Forgiveness?

MOMENTS

As you discipline your kids this week, leverage opportunities to talk about confession—telling the truth about your sin—and grace—God freely gives His children what they don’t deserve. Talk about how we want to forgive like God forgives: fully, freely and forever.

MILESTONES

Moses’ mistakes sent him on a path to meet his wife and have his son. How can you utilize anniversaries or birthdays to be days of remembrance for God’s faithfulness? Consider centering your wedding anniversary or birthday on celebrating what God has done in your life.