



# **The Exodus – *Supreme Tactician***

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## **Ice Breaker**

What's one time in your life when something that initially seemed like a setback or loss actually turned out to be a blessing in disguise?

## **Key Verses**

- Exodus 13:17-14:4
- Matthew 5:10
- Exodus 14:5-9
- Exodus 3:1
- Galatians 4:25
- Deuteronomy 1:2
- 1 Kings 9:26
- Exodus 14:10-14
- Exodus 14:15-31
- Matthew 24:30
- Psalms 2:1-6

## **Questions**

- Why do you think God chose to lead the Israelites through the wilderness instead of the shorter coastal route to the Promised Land?
- How did God's presence manifest itself to guide the Israelites, and what does this teach us about God's faithfulness?
- What was God's strategy in telling the Israelites to backtrack and position themselves between Egypt and the sea?

- How did the Israelites react when they saw Pharaoh's army approaching, and how can we relate to their response?
- What does Moses' leadership response teach us about how to lead Christians through fearful situations?
- How does the parting of the Red Sea demonstrate both God's power and His plans?
- In what ways does this account foreshadow Jesus Christ's ultimate victory over evil in the end times?
- How can we apply the principle of 'moving forward in faith' even when it feels like we might be losing as we follow Jesus Christ?

## Life Application

This week, identify one area where Jesus Christ has taught you in His Word to 'move forward' despite fear or uncertainty. Instead of retreating to what feels safe, choose to trust God's plan and take a step of faith in obedience. This might involve sharing your faith with someone, serving in Grace Church, or making a difficult but righteous decision. Remember that God often uses what appears to be weakness or loss to display His glory and power.

## Key Takeaways

- God is the master tactician who often allows His people to appear vulnerable in order to set up evil for ultimate defeat
- Following God's plan may initially feel like losing, but it leads to His glory being revealed and His people being vindicated
- God's presence guides and protects His people even in the most impossible circumstances

- The parting of the Red Sea foreshadows God's ultimate victory over evil in the end times through Jesus Christ
- Spiritual leaders must help God's people overcome fear and move forward in faith, trusting in God's deliverance

## Ending Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for being our Master Tactician who sees the end from the beginning. Help us to trust You when You call us to move forward, even when it feels like we might be losing. Give us the courage to follow Your leading, knowing that You are setting up our enemies for defeat and preparing to display Your glory. Strengthen our faith to believe that You are fighting for us, just as You fought for Israel at the Red Sea. May we live with the confident hope of Your return and ultimate victory over all evil. Help us to be faithful witnesses in this world, sharing the good news of salvation through You. In Your mighty name we pray, Amen.