

IN THE DESERT

Each Bible study group will spend some time looking at ONE of the following episodes.

Read the passage, **discuss** the questions, and prepare to **act out** the passage for everyone else once we gather back together...

Exodus 15:22-27 (Sandra's group)

Exodus 16:1-21 (Ken's group)

Exodus 17:1-7 (Dan/Alex's group)

What problem arises?

How do the people react?

What does Moses do?

What does God do?

After all the amazing ways God has rescued the people of Israel and fought for them, yet they are quick to grumble against him. Why do you think this is? Is there a warning for us here? (See 1 Corinthians 10:1-6; Hebrews 3:7-19). Thank God for his gracious patience and provision.



Exodus • Week 5

THE GOD WHO RESCUES AND PROVIDES

THE STORY SO FAR

The book of Exodus is part of the Bible's one big story. God chose a man called Abraham to be the ancestor of a great nation who God would use to eventually bless all peoples on earth. But 400 years later, Abraham's descendants (the people of Israel) were suffering as slaves in a foreign land, Egypt. God then sent Moses to rescue his people, but time after time the king refused to let them go. God sent plagues to show the king who he was. After the 10th plague, the Israelites all left Egypt.

THE GREAT ESCAPE

Read **Exodus 13:17-14:31**.

List all the ways God is seen to be in control.

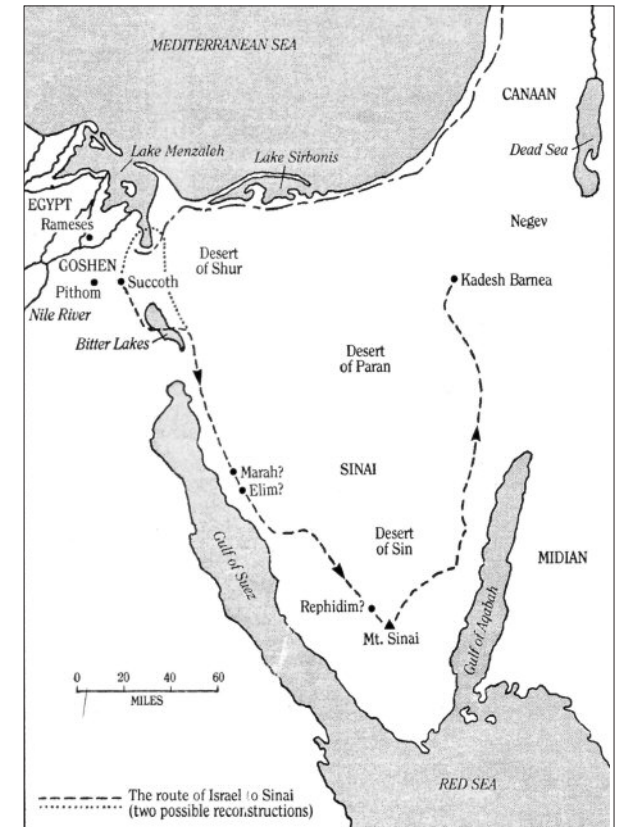
[Optional question] What is the significance of bringing Joseph's bones? (13:19)

In 14:10-12, what had the Israelites forgotten?

What does Moses tell Israel to do? (14:13-14)

How does God ultimately win the battle with the king of Egypt and his army?

What effect does God's victory have on Israel? (14:29-31)



After this great rescue, the Israelites sing a song of celebration, praising God in response to all that he has done for them (**Exodus 15:1-21**).

What have we learnt about God, that we can celebrate and praise him for?

PRAY about these things to God.