

Exodus: The Book of Redemption & Deliverance



What Does “Exodus” Mean?



The word Exodus means departure, going out, or exit. This book tells the story of how God brought the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt and led them toward the Promised Land.

Exodus is not just about leaving Egypt. It is about God rescuing His people, teaching them how to live, and dwelling among them.

Who Wrote Exodus?

The human author of Exodus is traditionally believed to be Moses. Moses likely wrote Exodus around 1440 to 1400 BC, during Israel’s wilderness journey after leaving Egypt. God guided Moses by the Holy Spirit so the words written were true and inspired.



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What Was Happening at the Time?



After the days of Joseph, a new king arose in Egypt who did not honor Joseph's memory. The Israelites had multiplied greatly, and Egypt feared their numbers.

So the Egyptians enslaved them, oppressed them, and treated them harshly. God's people cried out, and God heard them.

Exodus shows that even when God seems silent, He has not forgotten His promises.



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Main Theme of Exodus



Exodus shows that:

- God delivers His people
- God defeats false gods
- God makes a covenant
- God gives His law
- God teaches holiness
- God desires to dwell with His people



This book is about salvation, worship, and relationship.



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Simple Outline of Exodus

Chapters 1 to 18

- Israel's slavery and deliverance from Egypt
- Birth of Moses
- Burning bush
- Ten plagues
- Passover
- Crossing the Red Sea
- Journey into wilderness
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Chapters 19 to 24

- God gives the covenant and the Law
- Mount Sinai
- Ten Commandments
- God's instructions for living
- Chapters 25 to 40



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Simple Outline of Exodus



Chapters 25 to 40

- The tabernacle and God's presence
- Plans for worship
- Golden calf rebellion
- Mercy and renewal
- Tabernacle built
- God's glory fills it



Key Verse

“Let my people go, that they may serve me.”
Exodus 8:1

God rescues people not only from something,
but for something.



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Key Stories in Exodus

1. The Birth of Moses

Moses was born during a time when Pharaoh ordered Hebrew baby boys to be killed. God protected Moses and raised him up to become the deliverer of Israel.

2. The Burning Bush

God appeared to Moses in a bush that burned but was not consumed. There God called Moses to return to Egypt and lead His people out. God revealed His holy name: I AM WHO I AM.

3. The Ten Plagues

God sent ten plagues upon Egypt because Pharaoh refused to let Israel go. Each plague showed God's power over Egypt and its false gods.

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Key Stories in Exodus

4. The Passover

God told Israel to place lamb's blood on their doorposts. When judgment came, death passed over every house covered by the blood.

5. Crossing the Red Sea

God parted the sea so Israel could pass through safely. Then the waters returned over the Egyptian army.

6. The Ten Commandments

At Mount Sinai, God gave His law to teach His people how to live in covenant with Him.



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Key Stories in Exodus

7. The Golden Calf

While Moses was on the mountain, the people made an idol and worshiped it. This showed how quickly hearts turn from God.

8. The Tabernacle

God gave instructions for a holy tent where His presence would dwell among the people. At the end of Exodus, God's glory filled the tabernacle.



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Important Lessons from Exodus

God Hears the Cry of the Oppressed
When Israel suffered, God listened.

God Is Stronger Than Every Enemy
Pharaoh looked powerful, but God is greater.

Salvation Comes by Grace
Israel did not free themselves. God rescued them.

Freedom Has a Purpose
God did not free them so they could wander aimlessly. He freed them to worship and obey Him.

God Wants His Presence With His People
The tabernacle showed that God desired nearness.

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How Exodus Points to Jesus



Exodus is one of the clearest pictures of Jesus Christ in the Old Testament.

1. Moses as Deliverer

Moses led people out of slavery.
Jesus leads people out of slavery to sin.

2. The Passover Lamb

The lamb's blood saved Israel from judgment.
Jesus is the true Lamb of God whose blood saves us.

3. Crossing the Sea

Israel passed from bondage into freedom.
Jesus brings us from death into life.



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4. The Manna in the Wilderness

God fed Israel with bread from heaven. Jesus said He is the Bread of Life.

5. The Rock That Gave Water

God brought water from a rock in the desert. Christ gives living water to thirsty souls.

6. The Tabernacle

God dwelled among Israel in the tabernacle. Jesus came and dwelled among us.

7. The Law

The Law showed God's holiness and man's need. Jesus fulfilled the Law perfectly.



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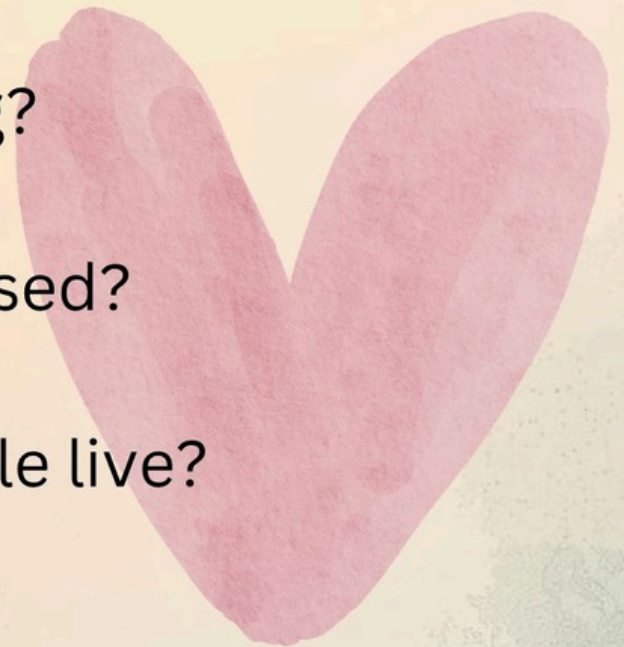


Why Exodus Still Matters Today



Exodus answers questions people still ask:

- Can God free me from bondage?
- Does God hear suffering?
- Can broken people be used?
- How should saved people live?
- Can God dwell with me?



Exodus says yes. God still delivers, leads, teaches, and stays with His people.



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Insight in Simple Words

Exodus is the great salvation picture of the Old Testament.

- Egypt pictures bondage.
- Pharaoh pictures oppression.
- The lamb pictures sacrifice.
- The Red Sea pictures deliverance.
- The wilderness pictures growth.
- The tabernacle pictures God's presence.
- All of it prepares us for Jesus.

One Sentence Summary

Exodus is the story of how God rescued His people from slavery, formed them into His nation, and pointed forward to the greater salvation found in Jesus Christ.