

MOSES-Called To Rescue Exodus 14 *Living Into God's Story* 11-6-16

When you're caught in one of life's traps, what do you do with your faith?

1. TO WHOM DO YOU BELONG?

*** We Blur Our Belonging**

~ Do we feel like Israel: Why take us out of Egypt? We belong here.

~ Fear confuses our identity, distracts us from God who loves us.

We know what happens in the story. But why? *What's God doing?*

Exodus sequel to Genesis Creation: God works on new creation w/ Israel.

*** We Belong Through Water**

~ Water of Red Sea saves Israel & turns to chaos to defeat Pharaoh.

~ Beauty of Baptism: picture of Grace!

2. WILL YOU BELIEVE?

*** When the Test of Faith Comes ... *Move On!***

~ Looks like we're squeezed by death ...

~ Seize the promise of God! **v.13-14**

*** Live in The Way of the Cross**

~ Jesus leads & in baptism journeys w/ us from death to new life!

Belgic Conf. Art.34 - Baptism

~ How do we live in a dangerous world?

In Christ, new life emerges by grace thru the waters of death.

*We're not necessarily doubting God will do the best for us;
we're wondering how painful the best will turn out to be. C.S.Lewis*

In faith, we move on & live by the promise of Jesus!

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Read & reflect together on the Word as a family throughout the week.

Exodus 2 The Birth of Moses

1. Why did Moses' parents give him up for adoption? See Ex.1:22
What does it tell you about them?
2. Why did Pharaoh's daughter risk taking a Hebrew baby home?
What benefit would it be for Moses to grow up in a royal family?

Exodus 3 Moses: Burning Bush & God's Call

1. Why does God use a burning bush to get Moses' attention?
2. What does God ask Moses to do?
3. How does God reassure Moses with his 2 questions?
4. What motivates God to save his people?

Exodus 12:1-42 The Passover & Exodus

1. What impresses you about the whole Passover event?
2. How was the Passover a judgment on the gods of Egypt? (12:12)
3. What influence is Passover to have on Israel? Pharaoh & Egyptians?
4. How does Passover remind you of Christian Communion?

Exodus 15:1-21 The Song of Moses & Miriam

1. What does this song celebrate about: God? Israel? The enemy?
What miracle has God done that you could sing about?
2. What is the significance of Revelation 15:3-4 being called
the song of Moses & the song of the Lamb?

Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-17 Belonging & Obeying

1. What did God do for Israel & what should be their response? Why?
2. Reflect: 10 commandments express thanks, freedom & protection.
3. How committed is Israel to "love by obeying"? How committed am I?