



Stories of the people God used "The Story of Moses"



Life Group Resources

LIFE GROUPS: CHRIST CENTERED COMMUNITIES OF CONNECTING, LEARNING, SERVING

TUNING IN: (approx. 15 min) Each Life Group gathering we want to set our hearts and minds on Christ and His active presence and leadership in our midst. This week tune in to His presence by trying the following idea:

- Take a few silent moments to center your thoughts on how God has been good this week; pray sentence prayers for thanksgiving.
- Designate someone to close, thanking God for his active presence in your midst and inviting Him to shape your time together.
- Talk about it: How did this prayer exercise work for your group?

CONNECTING: (approx. 20 min.) Each Life Group gathering we want to create intentional space to get to know one another better. This week:

- On a scale of 1-10 how would you rate your past week? Why?

LEARNING: (approx. 45 min.) Each Life Group gathering is an environment for us to be impacted and transformed by God's Word.

- Read: 2 Timothy 1:13-18.
- Discuss question 1, sharing your thoughts from the passage or from the Sunday sermon.
- You may want to select only 3 or 4 other questions to discuss.
- Listen: spend a few quiet moments asking God to speak to you about any changes in thought, attitude or action that you need to make.
- NEXT STEPS: any change or transformation requires action from you and encouragement from others. Share your "next step" with the group and allow them to check in on you.

SERVING: (approx. 10 min.) Each Life Group gathering we want to remind ourselves that it's not all about us and our group, but that we are part of a bigger "us" and a bigger picture. This week:

- Whom do you personally influence for Jesus Christ? (a neighbour, co-worker, someone you mentor, a family member, etc.)
- Be intentional in praying for them and looking for ways to encourage them and point them towards Christ.

SENDING OUT: (approx. 15 min.) After each Life Group gathering you are headed back into the world to impact those around you for Christ.

- Spend time blessing and equipping one another by praying for each others physical and spiritual needs and requests.

Questions for discussion with *Life Groups*, family, friends, or for personal reflection.

1. **Sunday Review:** Reflecting on this week's message from the Word: (as a group you can discuss these points and try to answer any remaining questions):
 - a) What challenged you the most?
 - b) Was there anything that surprised you, or that you had never heard before?
 - c) Was there anything that you still do not understand?
2. Review together the main chapters in Moses' life (e.g. growing up in Pharaoh's household, shepherding, etc). How did God use each of those to prepare Moses for how God wanted to use him? How has God done that with your life? (Spend time thanking Him for that.)
3. Re-read Exodus 2:11-15. Have you ever stepped in and did something and failed terribly? Did that cause you to decide to never step in again? Is that an appropriate response? Why or why not?
4. Re-read Exodus 3:11-14, 4:1-5, 4:10-17. Were any of Moses' excuses valid? What excuses have you used? Are you avoiding something God is asking you to do right now with an excuse? If so, what is it?
5. Some "excuses" can be valid. Discuss how you know when you are being faithful to God's calling or just making excuses.
6. Do you think Moses enjoyed doing the things God called him to do? Does that matter?
7. What is different in Moses between Exodus chapters 3 & 4 and the Moses described in Deuteronomy 34:10-12? What do you think made the difference in Moses' life? What needs to change in your life? Discuss together what you have to do in your life to experience the power of God as Moses did?
8. Pastor Terry talked about a "shepherd's staff" — something ordinary that you have that God wants to use in a powerful way (see Exodus 4:1-4, 20). Share with each other what do you think your "shepherd's staff" might be?

Review from the sermon notes I took:

My "slowness of tongue" problem is

My "shepherd's staff" is