

# LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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## PRAY TOGETHER

Holy Spirit, we invite You to be present in our conversation and to open our eyes to see Your glory in fresh ways, just as You did for Moses. Soften our hearts to any places where we are still living in “Egypt,” clinging to bondage, or holding back from going all in with You. Give us courage to push past our feelings of inadequacy and to trust that when You call us, You also go with us. As we enter our discussion, make it clear what next step of obedience You are asking each of us to take, and give us the boldness to walk it out. Amen!

## ICE BREAKER

If you could have a clear, unmistakable “burning bush” moment from God today, where and how would you want Him to appear—and why?

## SERMON OVERVIEW



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In this week’s message we discover that Moses, despite being raised in Pharaoh's palace and witnessing God's miraculous power firsthand, he still struggled with self-doubt and objections when God called him. His story reveals three primary sources of our feelings of inadequacy: unfair criticism from others, unwise comparisons we make with those around us, and sometimes even unrealistic compliments that create impossible expectations. However, we are likely doing far better than we think, and more importantly, it's less about us than we imagine. Like the moon reflecting the sun's light, we are positioned to reflect God's glory in a dark world. The journey through Exodus reminds us that Pharaoh's three pressure points still exist today: staying in our place of bondage, not going too far in our faith, and keeping our faith private. But Moses pushes back against all three, showing us that authentic Christianity requires leaving our Egypt, going the distance for God, and bringing others along on the journey. Most inspiring is Moses' prayer near the end of his life: 'Show me your glory.' Despite experiencing miracles we can only dream of, he still believed there was always more of God to experience.

## READ SCRIPTURE

**EXODUS 3:1-15, EXODUS 33:12-23, DEUTERONOMY 34:1-12**

## CONNECT RELATIONALLY

1) It is hard to lead people places you have never been. Moses spent 40 years in the wilderness before leading Israel there. What wilderness experiences have you had that God used or could be using to prepare you for Kingdom service?

2) Moses experienced unfair criticism, made unwise comparisons, and faced unrealistic expectations. Which of these three sources of inadequacy do you struggle with most, and how does it impact your willingness to step into what God is calling you to do? How can you combat them?

3) Pharaoh's three pressure points were to stay in Egypt, not go too far, and not take anyone with you. Which of these pressures do you face most in your Christian walk, and how can you push back against it?

**GROW  
SPIRITUALLY**

4) When Moses protests, "I am slow of speech and tongue," and God responds by reminding him who made the human mouth (Exodus 4:10-12), what truths about God's sovereignty and human weakness can we draw from this exchange?

5) Moses declares, "If your presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here" (Exodus 33:15). How does Moses' insistence on God's presence reveal his understanding of what truly makes ministry and life endeavors successful? How do you evaluate whether God's presence is truly in your plans, decisions, and pursuits before moving ahead?

6) Moses had experienced incredible miracles, yet he still prayed, "Show me Your glory" (Exodus 33:18). What does this reveal about his heart and relationship with God and his belief about experiencing more of God's goodness? How does this challenge you to maintain an appetite for the good things of God, yet to come?

**LIVE  
GENEROUSLY**

7) Is there currently a "risky" or difficult, specific step of obedience you sense God might be nudging you toward—even in an area where you feel weak—and how will you discern and ultimately follow through on it?

8) Pastor CJ stated that consistency creates sensitivity to God's presence and obedience sustains intimacy with Him. What daily rhythms do you or could you establish or adjust to cultivate a greater awareness of God's presence in your life?

9) Moses ended his life with "his eye was undimmed and his vigor unabated" (Deuteronomy 34:7) What would it look like for you and our Northview church community to collectively embrace this same posture - finishing strong with hope, vigor, confidence, and belief that our best days could still be ahead of us?

**TAKE  
ACTION**

Based on our conversation today, how is the Holy Spirit inviting you to take a next step in practical application? Please answer this statement:

I am feeling convicted to take the following action (keep it simple):

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Please ask each member to share their step if they have one. It is ok if you are still discerning and need time to process, pray and ponder.

**PRAY  
TOGETHER**

Please take a few moments to ask each member to share a joy or praise and an area of concern. Ask someone to pray over these requests, and please distribute them to all group members so you may continue to intercede for one another between your meetings.

**ENGAGE  
TOGETHER**

**God Behind Bars**- This weekend our prison ministry celebrates 10 faithful years of service to the men of Miami Correctional Facility. This ministry offers our community the opportunity to show love to men and women at three local jails and prisons. Volunteers are used weekly to welcome, pray with, and encourage inmates. Volunteers are also needed to facilitate GriefShare and DivorceCare on different days of the week. Consider signing up to learn more.