



The Way Forward
Exodus: Conclusion
Exodus 40:34-38 | June 28th - July 4th, 2015

Warm Up: On Sunday we were reminded of a helpful prayer pattern, which follows the acronym, **ACTS**. *Adoration* (Matt. 6:9-10). *Confession* (1 John 1:9). *Thanksgiving* (1 Thess. 5:18). *Supplication*, or requests (1 Peter 5:7). Open your time taking each one of these four components and praying through them one at a time. (You might read aloud each correlating verse to help guide you.)

- ❖ Share one or two *new* things you learned from our study through the book of **Exodus**. It may have been a sermon, song, or particular truth that impacted you in a fresh way.
 - Overall, how would you say this series has helped grow your relationship with God?
 - In what ways were you able to apply lessons learned from this series? (You might reference **Psalm 105** and **106** for overviews on the book of Exodus.)

- ❖ Peter Enns summarizes God's activity among His people throughout the book of Exodus saying, "*At every step along the way, God takes the lead, bringing His people to the goal He has planned for them. It is God's journey, God's people, God's plan, and God's honor.*"¹ Relate this summary to Paul's encouragement in **Phil. 1:6**. Why is emphasizing that this life is all about God's *journey, people, plan* and *honor* so vital?

- ❖ We are now individually and corporately the dwelling place of God on earth by faith in Jesus Christ. This happened by faith, and we will **MOVE FORWARD** by faith! This is the mindset we must adopt if we are to live effective lives for the sake of God's Kingdom. Remember, "faith is like a muscle - it develops. It can be strengthened or it can grow weak, depending on how much you use it."²
 - Where do you *most* need to move forward in life right now? It may be in a relationship, job, discipline, habit, or trial. How might God be asking you to move forward by faith in that particular area? If you are unclear, pray for one another!

- ❖ Take awhile to slowly read and digest **Romans 12:1,2** aloud. Why is offering our bodies to God so important? How do we come to know God's will? What does a transformed life look like according to these verses?

Wrap Up: Exodus has showed us a loving, faithful, and sovereign God who cares deeply for His people! He has promised to transform each of us (**Phil. 1:6; 2 Cor. 3:17, 18**) as we **MOVE FORWARD** in daily faith. Take heart and press into the Lord in this season!

¹ Enns, Peter. *Exodus: The NIV Application Commentary*. p. 476, 477

² Rick Warren, *God's Dream for Your Life* on YouVersion