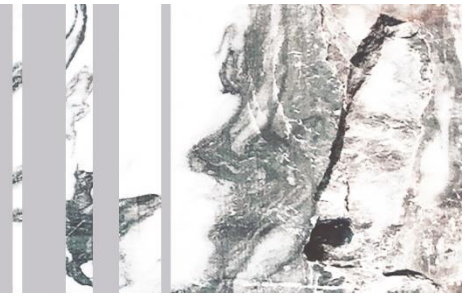


# EXODUS

## GOD IS HONORED

Exodus 35-36



## READING/DISCUSSION

Read **Exodus 35-36**.

- How did this sermon/text deepen your faith? How did it challenge you? Explain.
- What did this passage teach you about God? What did it teach you about yourself?
- God favorably inclined the Egyptians to give their wealth to the Israelites. Because God had just given the Israelites wealth, they found it natural and easy to give part of it back to God. How does understanding God's provision shape the way you think about stewardship and giving?
- The Israelites gave so overwhelmingly that they had too much, and the people actually had to be stopped from giving. Have you ever experienced this type of generosity? If so, share.
- Dan shared four common approaches to giving: (1) Don't give, (2) Meagerly give, (3) Obediently give, (4) Cheerfully give. Which category do you fall under?
- 2 Corinthians 9:7 teaches us God loves a cheerful giver. Dan said we can become more cheerful givers by focusing on three things: thanking God for saving us, thanking God for living in us, and increasing our concern for God's dwelling place. How might focusing on these things shape your heart and attitude toward giving?
- What is your current "story of generosity"?
- What's the connection between humility, contentment, gratitude, and generosity? Which of these (humility, contentment, gratitude) is easiest for you? Why? How can you grow the others well?
- What excites you about the ministry at The Creek? What gives you confidence and joy in giving to your church? Does anything give you concern?
- Did you do the gratitude practice this week? What did you notice as a result?
- What change, if any, might God be calling you to make with how you spend your money and how you give your money?
- How does this passage, sermon, or daily work challenge you to live differently?
- How is your relationship with God evident to those around you?

## ENCOURAGEMENT

- What do you sense God doing in you that you need to respond to?
- What do you sense God doing around you that you think he is inviting you into?
- What do you sense God doing through you that you need courage for?

## ACCOUNTABILITY

*At this time, the group may want to split into smaller, gendered groups.*

- Who are you in God's eyes? Who are you in the eyes of this group?
- What has your time in God's Word and prayer been like this week?
- What have you learned from Exodus 35-36 this week?
- How have you loved God and loved others this week?
- Where have you wrestled with temptation this week?
- What strongholds have you wrestled with this week?
- Have you been 100% honest?