



# DIGGING DEEPER

Exodus 13:17-14:31 & Luke 19:41-42



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## SUNDAY RECAP

This past weekend was Palm Sunday and week 11 of our 12-part series, ***Out of Egypt, a study of the first 15 chapters of Exodus***. Before starting the discussion questions with your group, pray together and invite the Holy Spirit to be present with you.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Exodus 13:17-14:31 & Luke 19:41-42

## DISCUSS

1. Re-read Exodus 14:1-12. Despite Israel's perception, the alternate route God leads them on is intentional and filled with purpose. Why do you think God doesn't give them more information?
2. When being pursued by the Egyptian army, the Israelites believed there were only 2 options: (1) slavery in Egypt or (2) death in the desert. They could not imagine God could provide another option. How can you relate in your own life?
3. Respond to this quote from Peter Enns in his commentary on Exodus: "They [Israel] still have not learned that God's purpose for bringing them out of Egypt is not simply to save them, but to maintain his covenant tie to all people, past, present and future. They have still not learned that their circumstances are not the final standard on which to view the work of God."
4. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and journey to the cross was an "alternate route" no one anticipated. Holy Week reminds us of the bigger plans and purpose God had. Like the Israelites in the Exodus and the Jews in Jerusalem, they were too blinded by their own immediate need and their immediate context to see God's bigger plan. What prevents you from "seeing" and trusting God's plan and purpose?
5. This week we remember how Jesus humbly gave himself away for the benefit, freedom and peace of others. Where do you need deliverance in your life? What are you facing in this season in which you need peace?

**PRAYER TIME:** Share requests and pray over one another. Make the focus of your prayer time centered around Holy Week. Consider someone you can invite, how you can serve, and be praying for God to use us to reach our community this Easter.

## HOLY WEEK CONTINUES

**We hope you were able to join us for Palm Sunday! Learn more about services and volunteer needs at [fairoaks.church/easter](https://fairoaks.church/easter)**

- **Good Friday Service:** March 29 | 6:30p | Worship Center  
A contemplative worship service focusing on Jesus' journey to the cross and sacrificial death through reflections, readings and music.  
Childcare available in Kids & Youth Center
- **Easter Sunday Services:** March 31 | 9a & 10:30a | Worship Center  
Join us for celebratory worship services, followed by special refreshments and a photo spot on the plaza.  
Sign up to help us host at [fairoaks.church/easter](https://fairoaks.church/easter)  
Childcare available for 2+under at 9a, Kids Program for babies-5th at 10:30a in the Kids & Youth Center



## UPCOMING EVENTS [Learn more at fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

- **Meet the Missionaries:** 4/3 | 6pm | FLC | Potluck Dinner & Learn more about Grace House, City of Refuge, & Orangevale Community Foundation
- **WFO Women's Brunch:** 4/4 | 9:30-11:30a | Speaker: Irene from Citrus Heights HART
- **Food Distribution:** 4/12 | 9a-12:30pm | FO/OV Food Bank | Sign up to serve at [fairoaks.church/missions](https://fairoaks.church/missions)
- **Food Drive:** 4/13 & 4/14 | 9a-12p | Drop off donations
- **Mom's Group:** 4/13 | 9:30a-11:30a | Fireside Room, Fair Oaks Church
- **Missions Auction:** 4/27 | Doors open at 4p | Tickets \$30/person | Available Online and in person starting 4/7  
We are collecting auction items and gift cards on 4/7 and 4/14