Exiled Get Out! Isaiah 48:17-22



Parallel Scripture

3 But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" 4 So Moses cried to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." 5 And the Lord said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6 Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel.

Exodus 17:3-6

22 And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. 23 And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. 24 By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, 25 and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. 26 They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. 27 But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:22-27

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

- Have you ever been hesitant to leave somewhere even though you knew it was a bad situation?
- Have you ever been in a situation that you didn't know that was bad until you got out of it?

Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- Was there any one thing that you most agreed with or disagreed with from last week's sermon? What was it and why?
- Read Isaiah 48:17-22. What is God telling His people to do?
- Why do they need to get out? What could happen if they don't?
- Read the Parallel verses in Exodus 17:3-6. What are some ways you
 are forgetting God's provision in your life and are currently doubting?

Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- Where are you now in your faith life? Do you need to move in a more committed direction?
- Do you thirst for the water that God can give to you? Read John 4:13-14.
- What fears do you have towards change?
- What are the dangers of staying in the same place, if God is calling you to use your spiritual gifts to serve in a new way?
- How can it be better even if it's scary? Read Revelation 21:22-27

Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- Self-Reflect on your faith life and how it flows with other parts of your life?
- How will you get out of the old and move in to the new if you need to?

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

• For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

- 1. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
- 2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
- 3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection)
- 4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
- 5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
- 6. Pray for one another.