

Outward Group Discussion Guide September 28, 2025 (Silverton)

SUMMARY

In this exploration of Exodus 2, we delve into the story of Moses' early life and his initial attempt to deliver his people. The central message revolves around God's providence and how He uses even our failures for His greater purpose. We see Moses, trained as an Egyptian prince yet sympathetic to his Hebrew roots, rashly taking matters into his own hands by killing an Egyptian. This act of misguided justice leads to his exile, where God humbles and prepares him for 40 years. The parallel between Moses' story and our own lives is striking - how often do we try to force God's hand or rush His timing? This message challenges us to trust in God's plan, even when it seems delayed or unclear. It reminds us that seasons of obscurity can be 'classrooms of grace,' where God shapes us for future purposes we can't yet see. As we reflect on this, we're encouraged to find contentment in our current circumstances, knowing that God is working behind the scenes in ways we may not understand.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How have you experienced feeling like you don't belong, similar to Moses' situation, and how has God used that in your life?
- 2. In what ways might God be preparing you through your current circumstances, even if they seem mundane or challenging?
- 3. How can we discern between godly civil disobedience and rash, harmful actions when confronting injustice?
- 4. What 'little acts of faithfulness' in your life might God be using to prepare you for something greater?
- 5. How has God worked through your failures or moments of weakness to accomplish His purposes?
- 6. In what areas of your life do you need to cultivate more contentment, like Moses did in Midian?
- 7. How can we balance the desire for justice with patience and trust in God's timing?

- 8. What 'classrooms of grace' has God placed you in, and what lessons are you learning?
- 9. How does Jesus' apparent 'failure' on the cross challenge our understanding of success and God's plans?
- 10. In what ways can we, like Moses, use our unique position or background to serve God's purposes?