

Mosaic

Week 4: The Way Out

Objective: To challenge us to live free from sin because Jesus has set them free.

ICEBREAKER: Have you ever felt completely trapped by a situation—with no good options and no obvious way out? What made feeling powerless so difficult?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. No Way Out

Israel was enslaved in Egypt. Pharaoh had refused to release them nine times. They couldn't overpower Egypt or rescue themselves.

- Why is recognizing our inability to rescue ourselves so difficult?
- How does Israel's helplessness help us understand our need for God?

2. A Life Is Given

Read **Exodus 12:1–14**.

God provided a way through the Passover lamb: a life was given, the blood marked the house, death passed over, and the people went free. 04_The_Way_Out

- What stands out to you about God's provision?
- Why do you think God commanded Israel to keep remembering this night?

3. Grace Comes Before Obedience

God rescued Israel **before** giving them the Law at Sinai. Their obedience didn't earn their rescue; it grew out of it.

- Why does that order matter?
- How is obeying God *because He has rescued us* different from obeying Him *so He will accept us*?

4. The Slavery We Know

Read **Exodus 14:10–14**.

Facing Pharaoh's army, Israel actually wished they were back in Egypt.

"Sometimes the slavery we know feels safer than the freedom we don't."

- Why can familiar bondage sometimes feel safer than unfamiliar freedom?
- What keeps us returning to patterns we know are harmful?

5. Walk Through the Way God Opens

Israel couldn't divide the sea or defeat Pharaoh. God made the way—but they still had to walk through it.

"Their steps do not create the rescue. Their steps respond to the God who rescues them."04_The_Way_Out

- What's the difference between earning freedom and responding to freedom?
- Where might trusting God require a step of obedience from us?

6. Jesus Gives His Life as a Ransom

Read **Mark 10:42–45**.

Jesus says He came **"to give His life as a ransom for many."** A ransom is the price of freedom. 04_The_Way_Out

- What connections do you see between Jesus and the Exodus story?
- How does thinking about salvation as **freedom from slavery** add to our understanding of forgiveness?



7. Out of Egypt, Still Thinking Like Slaves

The sermon says:

“You can be out of Egypt and still live like Pharaoh owns you.”

- What might that look like in the life of someone who follows Jesus?
- Why can old sins, shame, resentment, or habits continue to exercise power over us even after we've been set free?

8. Start Living Free

The sermon asks:

“Where have I settled for managing what I need to surrender to Jesus?” 04_The_Way_Out

- Where might you be managing something Jesus wants to free you from?
- What would one step toward freedom look like this week?

FINAL THOUGHT

Israel couldn't defeat Pharaoh or open the Red Sea.

God made the way out.

In Jesus, God has done something even greater. Jesus gave His own life as the ransom to break the power of sin and death.

We don't have to make our slavery more manageable.

And we don't have to free ourselves before coming to Jesus.

GOD DOESN'T JUST MAKE SLAVERY BEARABLE—HE SETS CAPTIVES FREE.

THIS WEEK — LIVE FREE

NAME IT. Where are you managing something Jesus wants you to surrender?

BRING IT. Tell Jesus the truth about it.

STEP OUT. Take one concrete step of obedience—confess, ask for help, make restitution, change a pattern.

REMEMBER. Your obedience doesn't create your freedom. Jesus has already made the way.

Stop managing slavery. Start living free.

