

SAC Small Groups Discussion Guide – Oct. 18th, 2026

This guide comes with the expectation that even if someone has missed the Sunday service, they have watched the sermon before coming to their small group.

Table

This space is meant to practice presence as a small group. Use this time to create space around the table where you journey each week to move from neighbours to family. This can look like everyone bringing their favourite treat or having coffee/tea together. You can even use the question below as a starter for conversation.

Connection to Other (Icebreaker/Light)

- If you came with a disclaimer, what would it be?

Scripture

This section contains the scripture(s) and an overview of the sermon that was preached on Sunday. It will have the main point explained to help those remember the sermon. We believe that God's Word shapes us as we hear the Word and respond to it. Make sure to read this aloud for everyone to hear.

Scripture

Exodus 6:28-7:13

28 Now when the Lord spoke to Moses in Egypt, 29 he said to him, "I am the Lord. Tell Pharaoh king of Egypt everything I tell you." 30 But Moses said to the Lord, "Since I speak with faltering lips, why would Pharaoh listen to me?" 7 Then the Lord said to Moses, "See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet. 2 You are to say everything I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country. 3 But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt, 4 he will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with mighty acts of judgment I will bring out my divisions, my people the Israelites. 5 And the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out of it." 6 Moses and Aaron did just as the Lord commanded them. 7 Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three when they spoke to Pharaoh. 8 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 9 "When Pharaoh says to you, 'Perform a miracle,' then say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and throw it down before Pharaoh,' and it will become a snake." 10 So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the Lord commanded. Aaron threw his staff down in front of Pharaoh and his officials, and it became a snake. 11 Pharaoh then summoned wise men and sorcerers, and the Egyptian magicians also did the same things by their secret arts: 12 Each one threw down his staff and it became a snake. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. 13 Yet Pharaoh's heart became hard and he would not listen to them, just as the Lord had said.

Overview

This week in our series, Still God, we looked at Moses and Aaron's further interactions with Pharaoh. As we have been learning the past few weeks, Moses is reluctant to lead and trust that God does in fact desire to use him for His plan of redeeming Israel. God assures Moses that He has given His authority to Moses in order to face Pharaoh. In the culture of that time, Pharaoh would not have simply been seen as just king, but rather something closer to a deity to the people (hence why Moses wasn't thrilled to confront him). God lets Moses know Pharaoh's heart will become hard and he will not listen in spite of the increasing miracles God would perform. Moses and Aaron went out and responded in obedience to God by performing the first sign which Pharaoh would reject.

This story clearly illustrates the need for us as Christians to serve together instead of isolation. Isolation is the removal from community and leads to a place of fear, anxiety, and uncertainty as we face the challenges of life on our own. The Bible is filled with other examples of collaboration and teamwork like Elijah & Elisha, David & Jonathan, Ruth & Naomi, Paul & Timothy, and the list goes on. In Luke 10, Jesus tells his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field". The opportunity before us as a church is immense as our community continues to expand and the invitation from Jesus is to begin working the harvest.

Discussion

These questions are prompts to help the group have meaningful dialogue over the sermon this past weekend. Do not feel the need to ask all these questions. You are more than welcome to create your own questions or mix the questions together.

Connection to Head (Study/Knowledge Questions)

- In Chapter 7, how does the passage define Moses' role as "like God" to Pharaoh?
- What is the purpose of the signs and wonders that God promises to bring upon Egypt?

Connection to Heart (Deeper Engagement)

- Moses and Aaron were eighty and eighty-three years old when they stood before Pharaoh, suggesting our assumptions about when we are too old, too young, or too inexperienced do not have much reasoning to God. How have you allowed assumptions about your season of life to limit your willingness to serve?
- What does God's empowerment of Moses and Aaron reveal about His divine plan for His people's liberation?
- Moses' greatest leadership challenge as believing he had to journey alone. In what specific area of your faith or ministry are you currently carrying a burden in isolation that was never meant to be carried alone?

Practice + Prayer

This is the space where we lean into being imperfect practitioners of Jesus. The practice and prayer are opportunities to encounter Jesus, to obey His Word and to live into being a flourishing community centred on Jesus. Take time to practice this together and reflect on each person's experience of these practices.

Practice: Where will you serve? Who will you equip?

- The practice this week is one of service. Simply consider where God is calling you to serve, either in the church or in your community (even better is both!)
- If you're already serving in some capacity, then the next practice is to consider who you are equipping. This question at its core is one of discipleship, that we make disciples who are in turn making disciples.
 - o Maybe there is someone new you can invite into serving alongside you in order to develop them.

Prayer:

Almighty God, release us from the fears and insecurities that prevent us from responding to your call. May we respond with courage and anticipation to the invitation to join You in Your redemptive work. Jesus, strengthen us and fill us with Your Holy Spirit. May we be an example to all in word and deed. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Intercessory Prayer

In this last space, take time to seek God and invite Him to work the lives of your group. You can split into pairs, guys/girls, whole group, or whatever works. The important part is that you create space for everyone to pray if their comfortable.