



## Our Deliverer

### Exodus 6:1-8 & Hebrews 3:1-6

### Welcome to the Story Pt. 2

## THE BIG IDEA

The Book of Exodus sets up Moses as the prime example of the kind of deliverer God uses to bring about freedom for God's people. In the New Testament, we see that Jesus follows this example, letting us know that God is using Jesus as a new deliverer to bring about freedom for God's people once again. But as Hebrews 3 reminds us, Jesus is a greater deliverer than even Moses, delivering humanity from the reign of sin, evil, & death.

## OPENING

- What images or phrases come to mind when you hear the word "deliverer"?
- Tell about a volunteer opportunity or service project you were a part of that impacted you. How did it do so?

## DIGGING DEEPER

- Pastor Kate mentioned that the story of the people of God is a "yes, and..." story, where what comes before is seen as the foundation for what comes next. In this context, what came before was God using Moses to deliver God's people from physical slavery in Egypt. What came next was Jesus delivering humanity from our slavery to sin, evil, & death. In what ways does the story of Moses help us to better understand the freedom Jesus offers us?
- Read Matthew 5:1-10 & Luke 6:17-23. What similarities do you see between these two passages? What differences do you see?
- Jesus' ministry was both physical (healing the sick) and spiritual (forgiving sins). Pastor Kate also suggests that the *freedom* Jesus brings from sin, evil, & death has both physical and spiritual realities. Is this a new idea to you? What does it mean in your own life, in how you live out your faith?
- Read Isaiah 58:5-11. In what ways does this passage connect spirituality and physical freedom?

## **PUTTING IT TO WORK**

- As a group, spend time praying and thanking Jesus for the ways he has delivered you, the ways he has set you free.
- As a group, consider what action you might be able to take together to extend to your community the freedom Jesus brings.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**