

## 2017 READ IT THROUGH IN 52

Week 3: Exodus 1-20

Theme: Overcoming the enemy

Memory: Exodus 14:13 *"Do not be afraid. Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord which He will accomplish for you today..."*

1. Before Moses stood before Pharaoh in a palace in chapter 5, he first knelt before God at a burning bush in the desert in chapter 3. When you experience difficulties, remind yourself of these important statements God made at the burning bush.
  - A. *"I have seen"* (3.7) – God is aware
  - B. *"I have heard their cry"* (3.7) – God hears our prayer
  - C. *"I know their sufferings"* (3.7) – God understands
  - D. *"I have come down"* (3.8) – God is with you
  - E. *"I will send you"* (3.10) – God will use you to be a source of help to someone
2. Exodus 4: Steps to take before you go into battle
  - A. Know your God-ordained mission before you march into battle
  - B. Look for helpers God has placed around you
  - C. Take time to reflect on the great things God has already done, and be encouraged.
3. Chapter 7: God said Moses & Aaron would serve as His representatives, but the Egyptians would initially reject them. In the end they would know *"the Lord is God."*
  - A. Be encouraged with the reality you are God's representative. Know there will be people who will accept you and others will reject you. Minister in a way people will know God is with you.
  - B. When you feel rejection from others, ask yourself which is the greater motivation: you being validated by other people, or other people turning to God?
4. Chapter 14: the Jewish people were understandably frightened.
  - A. Describe the circumstances and take note the reason why the people were afraid.
  - B. Are you currently dealing with an issue that causes you to be afraid? How can Moses' words in verse 13 make a difference? On a slip of paper write down the issues that cause you to be fearful. Next, write Exodus 14:13 and pray this verse over your situation.
5. What was the primary lesson you learned from your reading this week?