

The Way Home
Week 1: Exodus 14:10-31

1. When the Israelites saw Pharaoh's army approaching, fear reshaped how they remembered Egypt and interpreted their future. How can fear distort our memory, our judgment, and our view of God?
2. Moses tells the people to "stand firm" and "be still," while God then tells them to "move on." How do you discern when faithfulness means waiting and when it means acting?
3. We often tell God exactly how to solve our problems. What might it look like to listen for God's direction instead of prescribing the outcome we want?
4. The Israelites were tempted to return to slavery because it seemed safer than the unknown. What familiar habits, attitudes, relationships, or patterns can tempt people to trade freedom for security?
5. God may bring us "to the end of ourselves" so that we learn dependence. How can a dead end become a place of spiritual growth without minimizing the real pain involved?
6. What does Exodus 14:19–22 reveal about the ways God protects, guides, and creates a path before His people can see the full outcome?
7. Like Pharaoh, individuals and societies can find themselves working against God's plan. What practices can help us examine whether our choices and actions work with God or against Him?
8. Moses had to obey while looking foolish and facing enormous risk. When have you seen faithful obedience require courage despite criticism, uncertainty, or possible loss?
9. By the end of the passage, the Israelites trust God. How might remembering God's past faithfulness shape the way you face a present "Red Sea" moment?