

# **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

#### - Icebreaker -

Would you rather attend a music concert from the past or the present? Why? Is there a specific concert you'd like to see?

- **1.** Pastor Tom shared how Exodus 2 debunks the myth that only remarkable people experience advantages in life. How does that compare with what you have experienced?
- **2.** Read **Exodus 1:8-22**. Moses' family background seemingly set him up for disaster. How has your family history and upbringing affected your life? (How does Moses' future success change your own perception of what's possible in your future?)
- **3.** God's purpose for you is not dependent on favorable or unfavorable cultural perception. How will you avoid allowing your God-given purpose to be defined by the culture you live in?
- 4. Read Exodus 2:3-10 and Deuteronomy 34:10-12. Moses' life looked to be unremarkable, but God gave him purpose through His grace. When have you seen God do remarkable things through unremarkable people and how has this encouraged you in your faith?
- **5.** By His grace, God invites you into His family and gives you a purpose-filled life. What's one step you can take to receive God's invitation and live in the purpose He has for you?

## **PERSONAL GUIDE**

Day One: Luke 6; Psalm 139

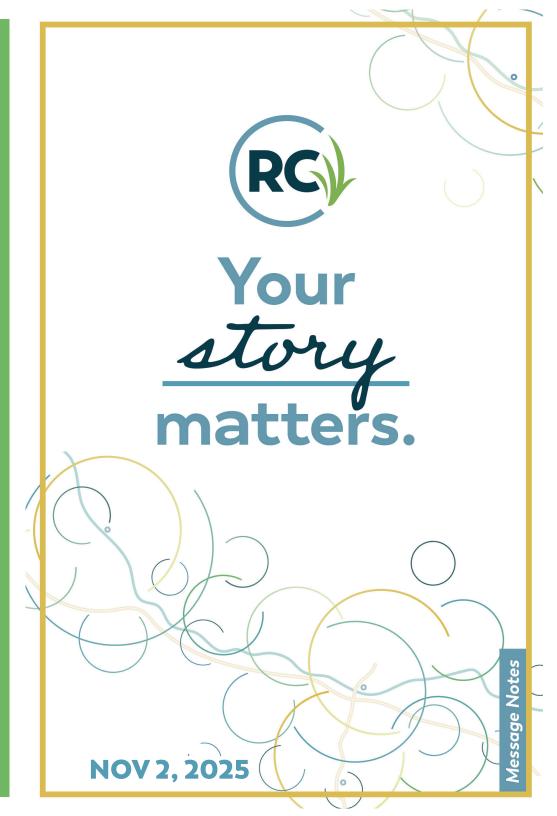
Day Two: Numbers 22; Proverbs 15

Day Three: Philippians 4; 2 Kings 13

Day Four: 1 Timothy 1; Ezekiel 16

Day Five: Job 15; Acts 27

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- We can live lives of purpose and meaning no matter our past, family background, or place in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, because living on purpose begins with God's grace.

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Note Exodus 1:8-14

They were members of an oppressed class of people, despised and downtrodden, and considered a <u>threat</u> by the people of Egypt.

Through no fault of their own, the family of Moses were truly victims and would have lived their lives of forced labor, oppression, and constant threat in complete <u>obscurity</u>.

Note **Exodus 1:15-22** 

Having a life of purpose/meaning/significance and direction is not based on what life was like for us as a child; who our parents were, or whether they were great parents or lousy parents; whether they were born into a family of wealth/means/influence or into a family of poverty/dysfunction; or victims of some sort of discrimination.

## 2. Not Dependent on <u>Positive</u> Cultural Circumstances

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