

Exodus 4:18-5:21 – Blood, Sweat & Tears

2-23-20 Small Group Questions

Getting Going (15 mins)

1. Settling In & Opening Prayer
2. Have you ever done the right thing only to have things get worse as a result? Tell us about it.

Digging Deeper (40 mins)

1. Review:
 - a) How did you answer God's call last week? What were the results?
 - b) Did you observe God's holiness, presence, eternal nature, power, help or longsuffering this past week? How so?
2. List all the information Moses conveniently left out when asking Jethro for permission to return to Egypt (Ex. 4:18). Why do you suppose he did that?
3. On his way to lead over 1 million people, Moses demonstrates an inability to lead. Why is it that when God gives us a new, big task to fulfill it's really easy to neglect the small tasks that He has already given? What are some of the small tasks that you sometimes neglect?
4. Moses did follow God's directions regarding the elders and Pharaoh, only it made things significantly worse. List a few other biblical accounts where obedience made life's circumstances worse. Why do you suppose this is a repeated biblical pattern (especially in the NT)?
5. What else stands out to you from this message that you would like to discuss?

Practical Preparation (10 mins)

1. In his application, John mentioned the importance of not neglecting the little things in our walk with God. What is one "little thing" you need to be more committed to in your obedience to God this week?
2. John also reminded us that God is faithful and will always keep His promises. Where has God been faithful to you in the last year? In your prayer time spend a few moments praising God for this specific faithfulness.

Parting Prayer (15 mins)

Extra Question – Think about your life in 5 years; 10 years; 20 years. What events are you not looking forward to? What events are you looking forward to?