### **Summary**

The sermon focuses on the Exodus story where the Israelites were trapped between Pharaoh's army and the Red Sea. While the Israelites focused on their enemy and complained, Moses kept his faith in God. The sermon draws parallels between God's rescue of Israel through the Red Sea and the greater spiritual exodus of salvation through Jesus Christ, emphasizing that God saves people from bondage through grace and faith, not through their own works.

### **Intro Prayer**

Lord, as we gather to discuss Your word, open our hearts and minds to understand the depths of Your rescue plan for humanity. Help us see how the story of the Exodus points to Your son Jesus and Your continuing work of salvation today. Guide our discussion and help us learn from each other. Amen.

#### Ice Breaker

Share about a time when you felt stuck between two difficult choices and needed someone to help you find a way out.

## **Key Verses**

- 1. Exodus 14:13-14
- 2. Hebrews 11:29
- 3. John 8:34-36
- 4. Ephesians 2:8-9

## **Questions**

- 1. How does Moses' response to fear differ from the Israelites' response? What can we learn from this?
- 2. What does it mean that God moved from being Israel's guide to their guard? How does this apply to our lives today?
- 3. How does the parting of the Red Sea demonstrate God's power over creation?
- 4. Why is it significant that the Israelites walked through on dry ground?
- 5. How does the Exodus story parallel our salvation through Jesus Christ?
- 6. What does it mean to be saved by grace rather than works?
- 7. How does the song of Moses and Miriam demonstrate proper response to God's rescue?
- 8. What are some ways we can remember and celebrate God's rescue in our own lives?

# **Life Application**

This week, identify an area where you feel trapped or in bondage. Instead of focusing on the problem, practice standing still and actively trusting God as your rescuer. Write down ways you see Him working in your situation.

# **Key Takeaways**

- 1. God provides rescue when we're caught between impossible choices
- 2. True salvation comes through grace alone, not our own efforts
- 3. The Exodus story points to the greater exodus of salvation through Jesus
- 4. Proper response to God's rescue includes worship and celebration

# **Ending Prayer**

Heavenly Father, thank You for being our ultimate rescuer through Jesus Christ. Help us to trust in Your grace alone for salvation and to celebrate Your deliverance in our lives. Give us faith to walk forward when You call us to move, knowing that You fight our battles. In Jesus' name, Amen.