PEOPLE OF THE 2ND CHANCE



SHEPHERDCHURCH

LESSON 5:
THE FUGITIVE (MOSES)

WELCOME

Answer one of the following two questions:

- **What's something you got in trouble for as a kid that still makes you laugh?**
- **If you had to start a completely new career at age 80, what would you pick?**

WORSHIP

Moses wrote Psalm 90 after years in the wilderness. Take turns reading Psalm 90:1–2 and 12–17 aloud, one verse at a time. Then ask one or two Life Group members to pray and thank God for being our "dwelling place" in every season.

***Below are seven discussion questions/prompts. There's no pressure to cover every question. As a Life Group, feel free to choose the questions/prompts that you want to cover and use the rest for personal reflection and deeper study during the week. If you haven't already, watch the video lesson on Shepherd Church's **Life Groups webpage**.*

WORD

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1. Moses sensed he was meant to rescue his people (Hebrews 11:24–27), so according to Exodus 2:11–15 and Acts 7:23–25, what went wrong with his first attempt?

2. What excuses did Moses give God in Exodus 3:11 and 4:10, and what mistake, sin, or fear are you letting limit what God can do through you?

3. In Exodus 3:10–12, why does God's answer to "Who am I?" matter so much? Where do you need to hear "I will be with you" right now?

4. Moses fled Egypt at 40 and returned at 80 (Exodus 7:7; Acts 7:23, 30), so why do you think God took 40 years to prepare Moses for his calling?

5. Read Philippians 1:6. Moses's greatest work began at 80, so if you truly believe God isn't finished with you, what could your next 10 years look like?

WITNESS

Read Romans 8:28. As a Life Group, identify someone (not in your Life Group) who feels stuck in the wilderness. How can you encourage and/or help that person together as a Life Group?

PERSONAL REFLECTION & DEEPER STUDY FOR THIS WEEK

This section is designed to help you keep growing in your faith throughout the week by reflecting on what you discussed in your Life Group and studying passages/concepts related to the lesson. As you spend time with these prompts, ask God to speak to you, apply His Word to your life, and help you take your next step with Jesus. Go at your own pace, and invite the Holy Spirit to guide your time with Him.

• Review anything in the WORD section that either was not covered during your Life Group or that you want to take a deeper dive into.

• Memorize Exodus 3:12.

• Read Exodus 1–2, and write down every person who played a part in saving baby Moses. In these two chapters, how did God work through ordinary people and even through Pharaoh's own household? With the first two chapters of Exodus in mind, what do Genesis 50:20; Esther 4:14; and Romans 8:28 teach about God's ability to work behind the scenes? Looking back, where can you see God's hand in your life at a time when you didn't notice it?

• Every day this week, try praying the prayer from Ruby's video lesson (and have a sin, mistake, or fear in mind that you are struggling with):

God,
I feel like I've made too many mistakes to be loved by you.
My past feels so heavy.
I don't know how to accept your gift of grace. Please help open my heart to accept your love and grace.
I may feel scared, but help me to trust you anyway.
You can redeem my story.
And I'm here right now, surrendering my story to you and asking that you would begin the restoration process in my heart today.
Thank you for loving me and never running out of grace for me.
Amen.