



Part 5: The Showdown  
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**So far, on the road out...**

- The people of God are in captivity
- The people of God cry out to him and he hears them
- God chooses Moses to lead the people
- Pharaoh refuses to let Israel go

**What happens next...**

Then the LORD said to Moses... "You are to say everything I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country. But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt, he will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with mighty acts of judgment I will bring out my divisions, my people the Israelites. And the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out of it." – *Exodus 7:2-5*

The purpose of the plagues was to allow Pharaoh to  
acknowledge the true God.

**The Plagues**

1. Blood
2. Frogs
3. Gnats
4. Flies
5. Death of livestock
6. Boils
7. Hail
8. Locusts
9. Darkness
10. Death

**God Saves His People Through the Passover**

"On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt." – *Exodus 12:12-13*

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## **Jesus is Our Passover Lamb**

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. – *1 Corinthians 5:7b*

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God. – *1 Peter 1:18-21*

## **Next Steps**

### **Alpha Course: Starts Monday, March 7, 6-8 PM at both campuses**

If you raised your hand to begin a new relationship with Jesus today or just have questions about God, Jesus, or Christianity, stop by the **Connection Point** on your way out and register for **Alpha: A Practical Introduction to Christianity**, available at both campuses. You may also register online at [www.ctkbellingham.com/alpha](http://www.ctkbellingham.com/alpha)

Alpha answers the most common questions people ask about Jesus, the Bible and Christian faith. Alpha provides an informal, friendly, non-pressured atmosphere where you'll enjoy a free dinner, get to know new people, watch a video and participate in small group discussion.

### **Small Group Launch Pad: This Sunday, 12:45-1:45 PM in Room 215**

If you're looking for a group of people to build unity with on the road out, a home small group is an ideal place to start. Come to the Small Group Launch Pad this Sunday afternoon to find out what small groups are about and get connected in a group with people who care about each other's spiritual journey.

### **Small Group Questions**



- 1) Do you have a favorite TV commercial or jingle?
- 2) What have you learned about God's character so far on the road out?
- 3) Which of the ten plagues would have driven you over the edge? Why?
- 4) What tangible faith steps have you taken in your own personal exodus?
- 5) Read John 1:29. Now that you know the story of the Passover from Exodus, why is this verse so important in identifying Jesus as the Lamb of God?
- 6) How can we pray for you tonight?