

# EXODUS: GOD'S WAY FORWARD

## Weak but Strong

<sup>20</sup>When they left Pharaoh, they found Moses and Aaron waiting to meet them, <sup>21</sup>and they said, "May the Lord look on you and judge you! You have made us obnoxious to Pharaoh and his officials and have put a sword in their hand to kill us."

<sup>22</sup>Moses returned to the Lord and said, "Why, Lord, why have you brought trouble on this people? Is this why you sent me? <sup>23</sup>Ever since I went to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has brought trouble on this people, and you have not rescued your people at all." (Exodus 5:20-23)

### Forward but Frail . . .

<sup>6</sup>For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. <sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.

<sup>8</sup>We are . . .

hard pressed on every side, **but** not crushed;  
perplexed, **but** not in despair;  
<sup>9</sup>persecuted, **but** not abandoned;  
struck down, **but** not destroyed.

<sup>10</sup>We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. (2 Corinthians 4:6-10)

- Our challenges don't change God's purposes

<sup>1</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh: Because of my mighty hand he will let them go; because of my mighty hand he will drive them out of his country." (Exodus 6:1)

- **Beyond my doing, God is working**

<sup>6</sup>“Therefore, say to the Israelites: ‘I am the Lord, and

I will bring you out . . .

I will free you from . . .

I will redeem you . . .

<sup>7</sup>I will take you . . .

I will be your God . . .

<sup>8</sup>I will bring you to . . .

I will give it to you . . .

***I am the Lord.”***

*(Exodus 6:6-8)*

<sup>58</sup>“Very truly I tell you,” Jesus answered, “before Abraham was born, I am!” (John 8:58)

- **Let Jesus break you and bless you**

<sup>9</sup>But he [the Lord] said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. <sup>10</sup>That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties.

***For when I am weak, then I am strong.*** (2 Corinthians 12:9,10)