



EDEN,
EXODUS &
THE EMPTY TOMB

Rediscovering God's Plan
For Our Redemption



Week 2
EXODUS



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HOW TO LEAD YOUR YCI CLUB



PLAY

Create a welcoming environment by playing a game together.



PRAY

Spend time praising and thanking God in prayer.



GROW

Learn from Scripture about who God says He is and how we should respond to Him.



GO

Look for opportunities to share the Gospel, and serve others in your community with your YCI club members.



TIPS FOR USING THIS CURRICULUM

1) Familiarize

Prior to your weekly YCI club gatherings, spend time reading the curriculum to make sure you understand the game and devotional. Leading is easier when you are well-prepared!

2) Organize

The "Grow" portion of the YCI Club Curriculum gives you the "pieces" for a devotional, but it is up to you to put the pieces together. You may want to give "Book, Hook, Look & Took" a try:

- 1) **Book:** Read the Bible verses.
- 2) **Hook:** Share a brief personal story or idea that relates to the Scripture.
- 3) **Look:** Share the context of the Scripture.
- 4) **Took:** Share the takeaways from the "Learn & Apply" section.

3) Customize

Since every YCI club is different, it is important that you modify this content to fit your context. If you need help with this, we encourage you to reach out to your club's Campus Mentor!



MOVIE MADNESS!

First, every member of the YCI club should find a partner and spread out in the room. Next, every pair should play *Rock, Paper, Scissors* to determine which partner is the “Director” and which is the “Critic”. Once roles are determined, the Director should pull out their phone and describe a well-known movie using only emojis (*if a phone is not available, a pen and paper can be used instead*). The Critic has three chances to correctly guess the movie. If the Critic guesses correctly, the Director has to sit down; if the Critic can't guess the movie, they must sit down. The winning player should proceed to find the winner from another pair and repeat the process. This pattern should continue until only one person is left standing. They're the winner of the game!



ASK GOD FOR HIS WILL TO
BE DONE IN THESE AREAS:



CLUB TIME

Pray that God will speak to everyone in the room through His Word.

GROUP NEEDS

Take time to discuss and pray over the personal needs and requests of those in attendance.



SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Ask God to move in situations that are unique to your school and community.



WHERE WE'RE GOING

While many people know the story of Jesus' death and resurrection recorded in the Gospels, they may overlook that the significance of the cross and the empty tomb is woven throughout the entire Bible, beginning at the dawn of creation.

In the “*Eden, Exodus & The Empty Tomb*” curriculum, we’re going to take a closer look at Genesis 3, Exodus 12 and Matthew 27-28 and trace four essential themes in each story:

Theme #1) The Captive

Theme #2) The Child

Theme #3) The Sacrifice

Theme #4) The Mission

As we approach the fourth week, the focus will shift to responding to what we have learned in the first three weeks. Prayerfully, as Easter Sunday approaches, many of your classmates will truly understand and embrace the reality of the empty tomb for the first time!



EXODUS 12:1-10 (ESV)

1 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, **2** “This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. **3** Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. **4** And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. **5** Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, **6** and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight. **7** “Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. **8** They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. **9** Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. **10** And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.



EXODUS 12:11-17 (ESV)

11 In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover. **12** For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. **13** The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt. **14** “This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast. **15** Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven out of your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel. **16** On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone may be prepared by you. **17** And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute forever.



GOD'S REDEMPTIVE PLAN IN EXODUS

The Captive: Israelites Enslaved In Egypt

“And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day ***I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt...***” (Exod. 12:17a). Due to famine, Jacob's sons, the future leaders of the 12 tribes of Israel, migrated to Egypt. Over time, Egypt's leadership turned against the Israelites, enslaving them. Their liberation would require divine intervention!

The Child: Death Of The Firstborn

“For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and ***I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt...***” (Exodus 12:12a). Working through Moses, God initiated a rescue plan to free the Israelites from Egyptian slavery. After multiple warnings and nine plagues failed to convince Pharaoh, the devastating 10th plague – the death of the firstborn – finally led to their liberation. Similarly, the death of God's firstborn and only Son, Jesus, secured our freedom from sin.

The Sacrifice: The Passover Lamb

“The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And ***when I see the blood, I will pass over you***, and no plague will befall you...” (Exod. 12:13a). Through the sacrifice of a lamb and the placement of blood on the doorpost, the Israelites would be protected from death. Similarly, when we place our faith in Jesus, the Lamb of God, His blood covers us and shields us from spiritual death.

The Mission: Recognize God's Faithfulness

“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and ***you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord***; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast” (Exodus 12:14). Jewish people celebrate this miracle, now known as Passover, because death 'passed over' them, and they continue to observe it to this day. For Christians, this moment foreshadows Jesus, who died and conquered death during Passover weekend, more than 1,000 years after the events of Exodus 12!



SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS (IF TIME ALLOWS)

Question #1

What is one thing that “jumped out” to you while reading Exodus 12:1-17?

Question #2

Why is understanding Israel’s escape from Egypt important for understanding the Easter story?

Question #3

Have you experienced a moment when God set you free? If so, what was that experience like?



BEFORE YOU

GO

BIG IDEA



The Passover celebrates Israel's liberation from Egypt and points towards the ultimate freedom we receive through Jesus' sacrifice.

SHARING TRUTH



Who is someone in your life that needs to hear about what we discussed today? Pray for them, and find time this week to encourage them.

MEETING NEEDS



What is something your YCI club can do to show God's love this semester?

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