

Going Deeper Questions
God's Chosen People

Exodus 1-14
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1. Israel is always in the news. What do you think about Iran's nuclear aspirations? Do you think they will build weapons to use against Israel?
2. How does Exodus 4:21-23 sound similar to John 1:12 and Ephesians 1:5-6? If you had to describe the love that God has for you, how would you describe it? How do you know that "*you know who your Dad [as in heavenly Father] really is*"?
3. In Exodus 11 and 12 we read how God rescued the Israelites. Share how God rescued you (redeemed you).
 - a. Jeremy made a statement that when we are saved/rescued/redeemed we don't just come out of the kingdom of darkness or the bondage of sin and everything is just fine. He stated that once we are saved we need help (like Jaycee Lee Dugard will need help – remember the illustration?). Is that true—doesn't God just make us all better when we are saved? When people get saved, do they need help? How has God designed the way we give and get help (cf. Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 12:4-13; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7; Galatians 6:2; 2 Timothy 2:22; etc.)
4. Read Exodus 14:10-15 to review how God used Moses to lead the Israelites when Pharaoh and his army were advancing on them.
 - a. What was the final instruction in verse 15? Has God called you to "go forward" (to take courageous steps of faith in alignment with His will)? Do you sense any calling in your life to "go forward" now? How does going forward and waiting on the Lord (Isaiah 40:31) co-exist in our Christian experience?
5. Read Exodus 6:5-8 and Deuteronomy 7:6-8. According to these verses, give at least 5 reasons why God chose Israel as His people?
6. Do you believe that God has called you—chosen you for His eternal purposes and to be a part of His kingdom program? Explain why.