

AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 minutes)

- **Check in:** Let everyone in the group introduce themselves and share one way that God is growing their personal faith this year.
- **Pray:** As you pray to start the lesson, praise God for what he is already doing in each life and ask Him to reveal new truth during the gGroup time. Ask God to reveal a challenge for each person to take as a next step and continue work in each of our lives.

BIBLE DISCOVERY (35-45 minutes)

- **Big Idea (Watch Video):** God delivers Moses to be a deliverer for His people.
- **Bible Passage:** Take turns reading Exodus 1:8-14, 1:15-22, 2:1-10, 2:11-15, & 2:16-22
- **Discussion Questions:**
 1. Exodus is a sequel to Genesis; notice any connections?
 - What can we expect from the new Pharaoh, since Joseph is forgotten (1:8)?
 - How is God's command to be fruitful and multiply (Gen 1:28) fulfilled in captivity?
 - What else has changed? What other themes continue?
 2. What do we learn from the characters?
 - How do Pharaoh and Shiphrah practice godly ethics. How are they good examples for us?
 - Three episodes show Moses' desire and his purpose to deliver his kinsman (Ex 2:11-12, 13-14, & 16-19). In what ways are his actions positive or negative?
 3. What does this story teach us about God?
 - How is God active in these early episodes? How does it reveal God's plans and purpose?
 - How does Moses' story point forward to Jesus' story and Jesus' purpose?
 4. What does the opening of Exodus teach us about people and how to live faithfully?

CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 minutes)

- **One Change:** Has this passage revealed a growth point for you? What is one new way you can serve with our church? Is there one person you can reach out or connect to the gospel? How can you better obey God? Remember to be specific about your action.
- **Narrow it down to an "I will" statement:** I will _____
- **Closing Prayer:** Pray for each member to be faithful to their Bible challenge and to be responsive to the Holy Spirit in the coming week. Since it is God who makes the changes in our lives, we must place our desire for growth in his strength.