

I. Origin Stories

- A. Looking through Exodus 1-4, what are some ways in which the story of Moses parallels the story of the people of God as a whole? Why would the author of Exodus compare Moses to the people of Israel?
- B. What's Moses' place in the broader story of the Bible: in creation, fall, redemption, and restoration? For example, what is the significance of Moses' passing through the river or being adopted by the royal family of Egypt to the rest of the story of the Bible?
- C. In what way is the story of Israel our story, too? What can we learn from this story about our own origins in the Christian faith?

II. Moses as a Broken Vessel

- A. What are some reasons, in addition to what Matt listed, why it's unlikely that God would use Moses like he did? Why would the author of Exodus go through so much trouble to show that Moses is a broken vessel?
- B. As Matt said, our sin is deeper than we realize, but God's grace is greater than we realize. Are all sins equal—why or why not? Are some people better than others? Does knowing God make us better people?
- C. Why is it unlikely that God would use you or Hope Church to do his will? Why would he use you or us regardless? How should we respond to this?

III. Jesus, the new and greater Moses

- A. We already said Moses is like Israel as a whole, but how is Moses like Jesus? How are their lives similar? Why do you think there are so many similarities between these three, and why would the Bible draw these comparisons?
- B. Moses is an image of God and a savior of God's people, but a broken one. How does Moses' brokenness show us what Jesus would need to be in order to reveal God *perfectly* and save the people of God *completely*?
- C. In what way has God called you to speak for him? To whom is God calling you?