

BURNING BRIDGES

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2014

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Core Group Items

- Did anyone learn anything new this week about themselves or about God?
- Does your group have any upcoming service, social, or outreach plans?

The Post-Deliverance Lesson

Read Exodus 13:17-18. What is the main reason God took the Israelites on the path through the wilderness? How would going through the wilderness accomplish that goal?

Our key phrase from Sunday was this:

*After delivering his people from slavery,
the last thing God wanted was for them to go back.*

What did you take away from Sunday's message?

Bridges that need to burn...

Read these passages and consider the comment on each:

- Read Exodus 13:19. They might have thought of Egypt as their home, but carrying Joseph's bones would remind them it never was their true home.
- Read Exodus 13:20-22. They might have felt lost in the desert and gone back to Egypt, but God provided clear leadership for them.
- Read Exodus 14:1-9. They might have thought that Egypt wasn't that bad, but God reminded them how much of an enemy Pharaoh really was.
- Read Exodus 14:10-20. They might have felt that they couldn't win, but God claimed he would do the fighting for them.
- Read Exodus 14:21-31. They might have felt God wouldn't come through, but he did with a great show of power.

If we were there, which of these moments might have challenged us the most?

Consider the deliverance God worked out for you through Jesus. **Ephesians 1:17-20 and 2:1-5** describe it beautifully.

Take it Home

There are only two final questions: (1) Is Ephesians 2:4-5 true for you? (2) In light of God's great power, are there any bridges to your past that need to be burned? **An Addiction? An Attitude? Your Entertainment? Your Financial Decisions? Spiritual Immaturity? Your Relationships? Something else?**

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