

# THE LAND BETWEEN

## Getting From Here to There

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Questions based on the sermon from June 8, 2025

### Getting to Know Me

1. What's the weirdest thing you've ever eaten?
2. The story of the pioneer who had to "prime the pump" illustrated acting in belief before seeing any result. When have you had to prime the pump in your own life?

### Digging Deeper

3. What stood out to you in Sunday's sermon on *Getting From Here to There*? Which of the four actions or stories told most hit home for you?
4. The plagues can be difficult to understand, but how do the following verses reveal God's reason for sending the plagues?
  - Exodus 7:5, 17 –
  - 8:10, 22 –
  - 9:13-17 –
5. Read what God said in Exodus 12:12 and Numbers 33:4, then reflect on the following:
  - Why do you think God chose to specifically confront the Egyptian gods through the plagues?
  - Which of the plagues stood out to you most, and why?
  - Is there anything about the plagues that troubles or challenges you?
6. How does Joshua 24:14 show that the plagues were needed not just for Egypt but also to draw His own people to wholehearted devotion?

7. Read Exodus 16:3. Why do you think we sometimes idealize the past even when the past wasn't too good?
8. Jesus warned, "*Remember Lot's wife*" (Luke 17:32), who looked back instead of pressing forward to freedom. What does this reveal about the spiritual danger of looking back with longing?

### Making it Personal

9. What cultural "gods" – things we rely on, center our lives on or prioritize – might God be confronting in your life today?
10. Exodus 15:24–25 says that when the people grumbled about bitter water, God miraculously made it sweet.
  - What does this moment reveal about how God responds to our complaints or needs?
  - Have you ever seen God bring something good out of a bitter situation?
11. To get from "here to there" we have to let go of something. What's something you've had to let go of to move forward in your life? What is something God may be calling you to let go of today?

### Prayer: He is doing a new thing

*"See, I am doing a new thing... I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland" (Isaiah 43:19).*

Lord, help us to stop looking back at what was – whether it was comfortable, painful or familiar – and to trust that you are doing something new in us and around us. Give us eyes to perceive the new thing you are doing – even if it feels like we're lost in the wilderness right now. I surrender what holds me back and press on to your good future for me!

*We exist to glorify God by guiding people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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