

# EXODUS HEARTS TOWARD GOD-1

January 2, 2009 - Exodus 3

Your discussion should focus on an overview of the Exodus story, pointing out how God is concerned about oppression and suffering, especially if it comes from injustice.

## Open - Your Story

If asked, "What's your story?" how would you answer?

How would you in a couple of minutes sum up the story of your life?

## Bible Discussion - The Story of God

What's the story of God? How would you describe it briefly?

What's the story of the Exodus? See Exodus 3:1-10, along with Stephen's speech in Acts 7.

## Taking It Home

How do we bring together our story and the story of God?

Why is God concerned about oppression and suffering?

Jesus stands to watch the situation with Stephen. Why do you think he is standing?

Even though Jesus stands and watches, Stephen still dies. How are we to understand God's concern for our suffering when it seems he does nothing to intervene?

What is on your mind/heart this evening regarding suffering/oppression? How can we pray for you?

\*The discussion questions loosely follow Greg's Sunday message with the same date, and were authored by Allen Burris, preaching minister for the Mitchell Church of Christ.