



Cuyahoga
Valley Church

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 12.10.23
Exodus 15 // Joe Valenti

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip
Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

- 1 In the beginning of his sermon, Pastor Joe mentioned that it can be much easier to complain (either internally or out loud) about bad service in a restaurant or a store than to call out and thank someone for exceptional service. Can you think of a time when someone went out of their way to thank you or appreciate you? What was that like, and how did it make you feel?

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

Create Context (5 min):

[Sermon Recap Video](#)

Study & Discussion (25 min)

- 2 Read Exodus 15:2, 13, and 17. How are these verses about God's character made evident in the events of Exodus that we've examined so far? How are they made evident in the person and work of Jesus Christ later on?
- 3 Read Deuteronomy 6:12 and 8:2.
 - Why is it important for us to "remember to remember" the ways that God has molded and shaped us into His likeness, the ways He has drawn us to Him, in the events of our lives?
 - What are some circumstances in your past that you know God has used to reveal Himself to you?
 - How have those circumstances helped you to trust in God more deeply and fully?
- 4 Joe mentioned 5 statements about God in his sermon (see below). Which of these statements is easiest for you to understand and trust in? Which is most difficult, and why?
 - Yahweh stands alone is God
 - He is awe-inspiringly perfect
 - He is all-powerful and just
 - He is overflowing in covenant-keeping love
 - He is a Savior

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- "Introduction to Exodus," The Gospel Coalition - <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/course/introduction-to-exodus/#overview>
- "Trusting God When Your Pain Seems Pointless," Sarah Taylor, The Gospel Coalition - <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/trusting-god-pain-pointless/>
- "Who is God?," John Piper, Desiring God - <https://www.desiringgod.org/interviews/who-is-god>

APPLY AND PRAY (30 MIN)

Pray to the Lord utilizing the Prayer Prompts below:

- God, I praise you today for what you have done. List out specific praises.
- God, I thank you that you are _____ (characteristic). Knowing this about you helps me to _____ in response.
- God, I thank you that you are _____ (characteristic). I have seen this in so clearly _____.



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EQUIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Please take a moment to share these announcements with your group.

CVCKIDS

Night To Shine Volunteer Registration - NOW OPEN!

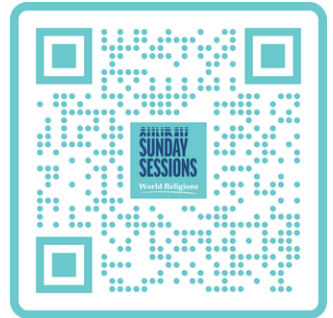
Recently a visitor to our church said to one of our volunteers, “Night to Shine is the most loving thing that you all do for our community.” Regardless of whether they are correct in that statement, it surely shows how much Night to Shine offers us an opportunity to be salt and light in our region. It literally takes hundreds of volunteers to serve our special guests and their caregivers. Please consider volunteering as a LifeGroup, family, or individual for this important night.



EQUIP

Sunday Sessions Podcast

We’ve wrapped up all of our Sunday Sessions for the remainder of 2023 and will be taking a break until Fall 2024. If you weren’t able to join us in person and would like to catch up on previous episodes, you can visit, cvconline.org/sundaysessions.



CHURCH - WIDE

Christmas Eve Services: December 24th

We’d love to have you join us for one of our four Christmas Eve services on Sunday, December 24th. Services will be at 8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, and 11:00pm. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend to as well.

SAVE - THE - DATES

CVC Men’s Christmas Party: December 13th

CVC Young Adults Christmas Party: December 15th

CVC Youth Break: December 18 - January