



BEREAN  
SMALL GROUPS

FOR THE GOSPEL  
ROMANS 1:16

## VERBATIM: Assurance

Exodus 2:23-25

### Read Exodus 2:23-25 together:

*"During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. God saw the people of Israel—and God knew."*

- ? What do you know about how the people of Israel became slaves in Egypt? Share as a group.

### 3 Reasons You Can Have Assurance:

#### 1. God knows who you are.

- ? According to verses 24-25, how does God respond to the people of Israel?
- ? What does the word "remembered" imply about God?
- ? According to John 10:14, what is God's relationship to his people?
- ? Read Galatians 3:25-26. What relationship do those who are in Christ have with God? How does that relationship demonstrate that God has intimate knowledge and care for us?

#### 2. God knows where you are.

- ? Read Psalm 34:15. How have you experienced this truth in your own life?

#### 3. God knows your future.

- ? Look above again at the main passage. What does God do in verse 25?
- ? Joni Eareckson Tada once said, *"Sometimes God permits what he hates in order to accomplish what he loves."* How does this quote make you feel? Do you struggle to believe this is true? Why or why not? In what circumstances in your life have you seen this to be true?
- ? Read Jeremiah 29:10-14 and answer the questions below.
  - o Verse 11 is a famous verse. How does identifying the context of this verse (that it's about the people of Israel headed into the suffering of exile) change the meaning from how it's so often used?
  - o Considering these verses, do you think the Christian life is easy?

- How are the people to respond to suffering in verses 12-13? What will be the result of that response?

### **Application:**

- ? How do the people of Israel respond to their difficult circumstances in Exodus 2:23?
- ? Why do you sometimes resist the response of prayer?
- ? How would consistently praying about your needs to God create a change within your heart?
- ? Finish by reading Psalm 27 together. Consider challenging each other to read Psalm 27 each day this week, check in with each other for accountability, and share how God's truth shapes your perspective and gives you assurance for your current circumstances.