

# ***From Slavery to Freedom***

Exodus study guide #12

lead up to Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

## **Digging into Exodus 20**

1. Read through **Exodus 20** together and then share your initial observations & responses.
  - What verses, moments or experiences catch our attention?
  - What parts surprise us, challenge us, encourage us, or provoke questions?
  
2. What role have the 10 Commandments played in **your** life? None? Lots? Explain.
  - What about in western society? None? Everything? Explain.
  
3. What do we think are some of our culture's **fundamental commandments** these days?
  - If lived out fully, by everyone, how would this affect society? For good? For ill?
  
4. Review the 10 Commandments together
  - Which commands feel the most confusing or elusive?
  - Do any feel irrelevant, and why?
  - Which commands feel particularly hard for us to live out?
  
  - Which command(s) do we most long to experience lived out? What commands, if lived out, would transform society? Explain.
  
5. Respond to the statement made by many Christians, "We don't follow the 10 Commandments any more. We live by grace through faith."
  - Read Matthew 5:7, Romans 3:28 & 31. How does grace relate to the Law? What does grace mean for the law?

**PRAY:** *Take a few minutes to pray together for God's grace to lead us more deeply into the way of God's commands. Pray for one another where needed.*