

## Week 3 | Slaves No More | May 17, 2015

## **Opening Up:**

What is music? How do you know it when you hear it?
What is your favorite genre of music? What artist do you listen to the most?
If you were to put a sound track together for a vacation, what would be on your soundtrack?

**Reference:** Exodus 5-10

## **Discuss:**

- 1. The plagues were answer to the question(s) raised by Pharaoh in Exodus 5:2. Namely, this "who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice?" If someone asked you "who is the Lord", what would you say? Why should we obey God?
- 2. The plagues progress in an unwinding of nature (i.e. Nile frogs gnats flies). The plagues lead to darkness and even to death. How does disobedience to the will of God always lead to the undoing of things (that is, with relationships, careers, children, yourself, etc.)?
- 3. When have you seen disobedience in your own life lead to the break down of things?
- 4. When Jesus comes bringing miracles, he undoes the broken things of the world that are turning to dust (Gen. 3:19). How have you experienced the restorative power of Jesus in your life?
- 5. Doctors give us guidance to mind our physical brokenness. How is receiving this guidance the same or different than receiving the guidance of God in other areas of life?
- 6. What happens if we disobey God and fail to forgive? What happens if we disobey God and are selfish with our lives? How do unforgiveness and selfishness contribute to the breakdown of all things?
- 7. How does the gospel of what Jesus has done help us to experience the restoration of all things (Rev. 21:5)?
- 8. With Jesus we have a rest and a responsibility. Rest in knowing he saves us, we don't save ourselves. Responsibility in knowing that we are called to partner with him in restoring the lost and broken world. How does your career, job, passion, or hobby take chaotic, disorganized, or broken things and create order and beauty?
- 9. How can you worship better in your work as you bring restoration with Jesus?
- 10. Prav.