



Calvary Oro Valley

Wed. Night Discipleship Group Study

Wednesday, January 14th, 2026

Exodus Study #17

Exodus 17:1-16

1. Verses 1-7

- a. What problem does Israel face in verses 1-3, and how does their response show they were testing the LORD?
- b. In verse 2, Moses says the people are actually testing the LORD. How were they doing that?
- c. What does Moses fear in verse 4, and how did he respond to this pressure?
- d. What does Meribah mean, and why do you think God still provides water despite Israel's grumbling and unbelief?
- e. Paul refers to this event in 1 Corinthians 10:4. Who does he say the Rock ultimately points to?

2. Verses 8-16

- a. Why do you think God led them to Rephidim, where they faced opposition from the Amalekites?
- b. What is the significance of Moses raising the staff of God during the battle?
- c. What happens when Moses' hands grow tired, and what changes when Aaron and Hur support him?
- d. Why does God instruct Moses to write this event down (v.14)?
- e. What does the name "The-Lord-Is-My-Banner" communicate about where Israel's identity and victory come from?

Helpful Bible Study Resources:

- **Pastor David Guzik** – Visit www.enduringword.com and click on “Commentary” at the top of the page for verse-by-verse insights.
- **Blue Letter Bible** – Go to www.blueletterbible.org to read or listen to various commentaries (like Chuck Smith and J. Vernon McGee), explore multiple Bible translations, and use Strong’s Concordance for original Hebrew and Greek word meanings.
- **Pastor Jon Courson** – Access his teachings at www.joncourson.com. On the left-hand side, click “Topical and Expositional Teachings Sorted by Bible Book” to find his verse-by-verse commentary.
- **Bible Hub** – Visit www.biblehub.com to explore classic commentaries from well-known Bible teachers. Just enter your scripture passage in the search bar at the top.
- **Crosswalk** – Another valuable site for Bible study and commentaries: www.crosswalk.com.

How to Study God’s Word Effectively:

Remember the simple yet powerful approach we’ve learned:

1. Soak in the Passage
 - Read the passage multiple times. Each time, pray and ask God to speak to you—inviting His Spirit to give you insight, clarity, and understanding.
2. Follow the O.I.A. Method:
 - Observation – Write down everything you notice in the text, even the simplest details. Don’t overlook the obvious—just note what you see.
 - Interpretation – What do those observations mean? Seek to understand the message and context of what you’ve written down.
 - Application – Based on what you’ve read and understood, how does this truth apply to your life? What is God calling you to believe, change, or do?