

## **Moses at the Red Sea**

### **Discovery**

**Bible reading.** Pray for revelation of what the Spirit wants to highlight to each one of you in the reading...

... then read Exodus 13:17-22 and Exodus 14

Ask people to share what they feel the Spirit has highlighted / revealed to them, and discuss.

**Significance of baptism to Muslim converts to Christianity.** Muslim converts to Christianity take the step of baptism at high risk to their lives - risking rejection of family and community, and in some countries having to leave where they live under threat of death. Discuss this a bit, then look at discussion questions. If you like, spend some time praying for muslims now, or at the end.

### **Discussion**

Why is baptism important for us in the UK?

In what way is the Red Sea crossing related to baptism? (hints: destruction of Egyptian army is similar to the nullifying of the enemy's legal hold over us at conversion; its a move from old land to new land, like Colossians 1:12-13 (darkness to light) and Galatians 5:1 (freedom - which actually relates to the Law but is true about sin too)

The crossing of the Red Sea was early on in the Israelites journey to the promised land. What similarities is there with a new Christian believer's walk of faith?

The people cried out in fear at the red sea when Pharaoh's army bore down on them (Ex 14:11-15). See similar times at Exodus 16:3 and 17:3. Its amazing how often we are tempted to go back to behaviour and passions of our old lives. What is going on at these times?

### **Application**

Pray for each other to be strong when we are tempted to fall back into 'old life' behaviour and thought patterns.

God bless you as you spend time together tonight.

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