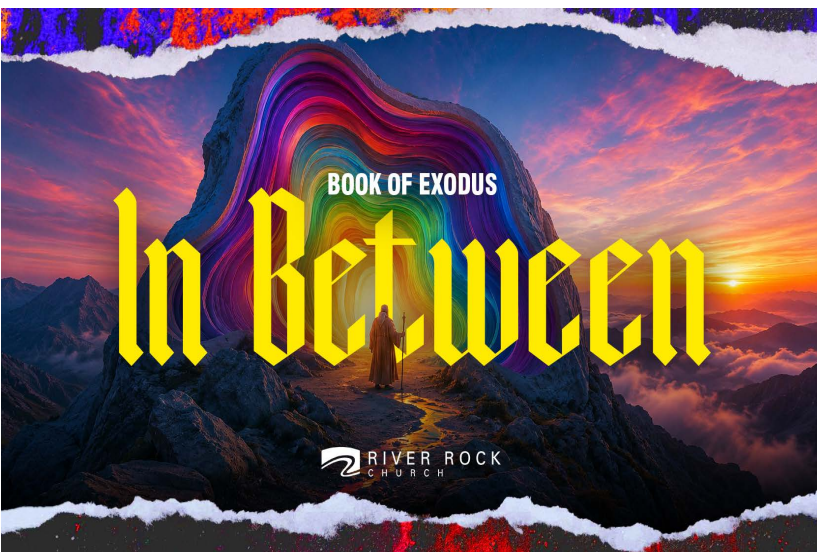


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NEXT STEPS



Exodus Series "The In Between"

Exodus 16

Questions to *Dig Deeper*:

1. What does an "in-between" season look like in your lives (career transitions, health journeys, waiting on a prayer)? Why is losing sight of the "shoreline" of our life so disorienting and scary?
2. Why do we sometimes romanticize or long for our past "Egypt" (old habits, toxic situations, or past seasons) when the current territory gets tough? How can we guard ourselves against choosing a comfortable prison over an unfamiliar freedom?
3. Bill mentions that most Christians don't say "I don't trust God," but rather operate on a sliding scale (e.g., trusting Him with our souls, but taking control of our kids' futures or our financial security). Where on that scale do you find yourself tempted to "gather extra manna" and take matters into your own hands?
4. How does focus shift from gratitude to complaint when we enter a desert season? What practical rhythms can we build into our lives to ensure we are noticing what God is providing rather than obsessing over what is missing?
5. Looking back at a past difficult or "in-between" season in your life, what "muscles of trust" did God build in you that you now rely on today? How does changing our perspective from "Why is this happening to me?" to "What is God training me for?" change how we survive the desert?