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- Prophets call Israel back to Yahweh who brought them out of the land of Egypt
- The belief that because God acted in the past, he would continue to remember it and act in the future.

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The Exodus event is the foundational event in the life of the Israelite people. The story of the Exodus is retold from generation to generation. One of the things of the result of this event is in the Exodus, Israel came to know Yahweh as their God who saved them and you know how they got to know? What was so important that they got to know because of Moses and the Exodus? Think burning bush. There's a clue. Not Ten Commandments at burning bush. His Name! His Name! I AM who AM. Yahweh, I AM who AM. They learned God's name here. And that was really, really important and they were created as the Israelite people who now were saved by God.

So the story of the Exodus is a story about the passage from bondage to freedom. From death to life. That is the motif that gets repeated. That's our motif as well. This was the decisive event of God's self-disclosure. And it changed everything for the Israelites. It was a definitive event. Israel sees everything in its national story from this event because now they became a people right. They were slaves to the Egyptians and then they became their own nation. They became a people now that belonged to God.