

Grade 6
ENCOUNTER Session 3: August 4
Patriarchs, Egypt & Exodus (Part 1)

Opening Prayer

Dear Lord. Thank you for ways in which you provide for us all. Please open our minds and our hearts to your Word and help us to focus our now on what we are about to learn. Inspire us by Your Holy Spirit as we listen and write and share our faith together. Lord, thank you for our families—those family members who love us well and those who are difficult to love. Lord, please help us to be a light within our homes and extended families. Help us be more forgiving and patient and compassionate. Help us to build up with our works and never tear down. Help us to trust, Lord, even when we don't understand some of the things that happen in our homes and relationships. Please help us create families that resemble your own holy family. Amen.

Pre-Video Reflection

- Do you remember the “Verse to Remember” from last session, “God created man in His own image, in the image of God he created him. Male and female he created them”?
- Go to page 9 of the student workbook. Read the introduction to Session Three, “Patriarchs/ Egypt and Exodus Part I.”
- This week’s verse to remember, “The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be still.”

Watch Video – Patriarchs, Egypt & Exodus (Part 1) (35 minutes)

Print Session 3 Handout. Follow along and answer questions that go with the video.

After Video Reflection

- The first four questions below are also in your leader guide workbook on page 11
 - What stories jumped out at you the most this session? *Abraham and Isaac? Joseph and his brothers? Moses?*
 - Why does God give us brothers and sisters if they can cause so many problems, like the ones we heard about tonight?
 - How often do you hear the Lord’s name taken in vain?
 - Did the points Mark made in the video change the way you view that at all? Explain?
 - If you were an Egyptian living at the time of the 10 plagues, what would you have been thinking?
 - What about your own family are you most thankful for?
- Look at the family tree on student workbook page 12. Do you recognize any of the names on the tree? Christ’s family was far from perfect. In our own families there may be difficult relations and imperfect people, but no one, including Jesus, has a perfect family.

Closing Prayer

Father, Thank you for our families. We ask that you bless them with Your favor and provide for all of their needs. We ask that you help us become closer to each other and to You, and help our families to overcome the challenges and difficulties that are part of everyday living. Please help us remember to appreciate our parents and brothers and sisters and the unique gifts each brings to our family. Amen.