

Exodus 15:22-27; Philippians 2:14; Exodus 14:31

1. Trust will be tested.

2. Solutions are seen when prayers are prayed.

3. God prepares us to pass tests, not bypass them.
Exodus 15:26; Philippians 2:14-16a

Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

Review:

We can "do everything without complaining" by seeking God for solutions to a situation rather than complaining about it to others.

Open Up:

Are you more in a wilderness or a wonderland in your life right now?

Discuss:

Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.

- ▶ Read Romans 12:2. What are some actual ways to renew your mind?
- ▶ On a "grumble meter" with 1 as content and 10 as constant complaining, where would you place yourself at this time in your life?
- ▶ Talk about a time when you were in a wilderness and it felt like you were there because you did something wrong.
- ▶ What are some of the types of disruption God uses to get our attention?
- ▶ How do people slip into accepting dysfunction as normal rather than seeking God for a solution?

Engage:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.

What are three ways you remain spiritually hydrated?

On a hydration scale of 1 to 10 where would you put yourself currently?

What do you need to do to remain hydrated?

Pray:

Read Philippians 2:14-16a and pray that our mindset will shift from complaining about our wilderness experiences to passing the test of going to God for solutions.