

LONGING TO BE FREE

EXODUS 1-3 | ERIC SIMPSON | FEBRUARY 21, 2021

- **Freedom starts with a longing for things to be different.**

Exodus 2:23

During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God.

When the pain of your current circumstances exceeds the pain of change, things start changing.

- **God's intervention frequently occurs through His people.**

Exodus 3:7-10

⁷The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey--the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. ⁹And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them.

Exodus 3:10

So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

"We are but of yesterday but we fill your cities, islands, forts, towns, councils, camps, the palace, the Senate, the forum—we are but of yesterday, but we're everywhere."

-Tertullian (155-240AD)