

Message Notes 3/8/26

Exit Strategy - Week 5

- Convenience
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- Good or Bad?
- Exodus 7:16
 - 8:1
 - 8:20
 - 9:1
 - 9:13
 - 10:3
- “Let my people go, so that they may worship me.”
- Exodus 32
- Exodus 32:1 (NLT) When the people saw how long it was taking Moses to come back down the mountain, they gathered around Aaron. “Come on,” they said,
- Exodus 32:1 (NLT) “make us some gods who can lead us. We don’t know what happened to this fellow Moses, who brought us here from the land of Egypt.”
- Convenient Timing
- Exodus 32:2-5 (NLT) So Aaron said, “Take the gold rings from the ears of your wives and sons and daughters, and bring them to me.” All the people took the gold
- Exodus 32:2-5 (NLT) rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. Then Aaron took the gold, melted it down, and molded it into the shape of a calf.

- Exodus 32:2-5 (NLT) When the people saw it, they exclaimed, “O Israel, these are the gods who brought you out of the land of Egypt!”
- Exodus 32:2-5 (NLT) Aaron saw **how excited the people were**, so he built an altar in front of the calf.
- **Convenient** Surroundings
- Exodus 32:5-6 (NLT) Then he announced, “Tomorrow will be a festival **to the Lord!**” The people got up early the next morning to sacrifice burnt offerings and peace offerings.
- **Convenient** Worship
- Saul
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- David
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- Solomon
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- Rehoboam Jeroboam
- 1 Kings 12:25-30 (NLT) Jeroboam thought to himself, “Unless I am careful, the kingdom will return to the dynasty of David. When these people go to
- 1 Kings 12:25-30 (NLT) Jerusalem to offer sacrifices at the Temple of the Lord, they will again give their allegiance to King Rehoboam of Judah.
- 1 Kings 12:25-30 (NLT) They will kill me and make him their king instead.” So on the advice of his counselors, the king made two gold calves.

- 1 Kings 12:25-30 (NLT) He said to the people, “It is **too much trouble for you to worship in Jerusalem**. Look, Israel, these are the gods who brought you out of Egypt!”
- 1 Kings 12:25-30 (NLT) He placed these calf idols in Bethel and in Dan—at either end of his kingdom. But this became a **great sin**, for the people worshiped the idols.



Convenient Worship Leads to **Compromised** Worship

- Stop with the Shortcuts in Worship

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