



Discussion Questions
Moses: Lessons in the Wilderness
Week One

Exodus 32:1

- Why is waiting for God often so hard?
- Share about when you had to wait on God and what that experience was like.

Exodus 32:2-6

Sometimes when we are forced to wait on God (or His plans), there is a temptation to settle for a readily available substitute.

- What are some substitutes you see people settling for in this world?
- Have you ever been tempted to settle for something less than God while waiting on Him?

We're told that the idol they fashion is a calf, a baby bull.

- How do you see idols often being safer, easier, less demanding, less risky, and less scary than worshipping and following God?
- How have you seen or experienced this in your life?

Exodus 32:19-22, 31-32

- Compare Aaron's response with Moses's response here.
- Why do you think Moses grinds up the statue and makes the people drink it? What's the lesson for us here?
- Pastor Dave said on Sunday that we can always find leaders who will tell us what we want to hear and lead us where we want to go. How do you see that playing out in our world (your own life) these days?

Are there any idols you are tempted by in this season of life?

(. i.e., money, possessions, success, intelligence, attractiveness, relationship, pleasure, acceptance, popularity, work, family, church, reputation)

What else did you take away from the message/passage this week?

Lent Discussion Questions
Week One

Esau McCaulley says of Lent:

"Lent, then, is about turning away from our sins and toward the living God. A season dedicated to repentance and renewal should not lead us to despair; it should cause us to praise God for his grace. Central to the idea of Lent is that we need this kind of renewal constantly throughout our lives."

- Have you decided to add or remove any liturgies (or regular habits) this Lent season? If so, are you willing to share with this group?
- What kind of renewal do you sense a need for this season?