



RESISTING DESPAIR

A Five-part sermon series on Exodus themes

Are you feeling bewildered these days? Are you overwhelmed by seemingly negative news? The Bible's Book of Exodus is filled with stories of despair. Our sermon series explores five gifts and graces people experienced in Old Testament times in the midst of despair as acts of resistance. These five gifts and graces continue to bless us today amid our own despair.

Sundays at 10.30am - *in person and online:*

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| September 13 | FREEDOM
Exodus 14: 19-31
<i>God parts the sea</i> |
| September 20 | NOURISHMENT
Exodus 16: 2-15
<i>Bread to feed the people</i> |
| September 27 | WATER
Exodus 17: 1-17
<i>Water flows from the rock for thirsty people</i> |
| October 4 | LAW
Exodus 20: 1-20
<i>Law as gift through the Ten Commandments</i> |
| October 11 | GRATITUDE
Deuteronomy 8: 7-18
<i>God brings us to a bountiful land</i> |

"This is an urgent time to help [people] see clearly the contradiction between our narrative of faith and the narrative that dominates our society. We are a community that, for good reason, resists denial and tells the truth, and refuses despair and tells the hope."

- Walter Brueggemann, September 1, 2020