

## God Saves: A Homeward People



**Review:** This week, we reach the end of God Saves. We've learned how God saves us from the captivity of sin, by his work in Jesus. He seeks our freedom and remains with us through his Holy Spirit. Part of his Old Testament covenant was a land for the people of Israel, that would be their home. We explore that idea of home in this study, what it meant for Israel and what it means for us in the shape of new creation.



### Discuss:

- Where is 'home'? What different meanings does it that word carry for us?
- Read Exodus 3:15-17 where God instructs Moses and outlines his promise. Why is v15 important in this context? What did God's v17 promise mean for the Israelites?
- Read Revelation 21:1-14. What are the main characteristics of this new creation?
- How can the promise of new creation help to give us direction and motivation in our Christian lives? What difference does that make?



**Pray:** Give thanks that God seeks us out and leads us home; for the promise and joy that stems from that. Pray that the prospect of new creation will give us strength and endurance for what lies ahead. That there will be a place where we will be safe in everlasting arms.

*Hosanna in the highest. Remember me, O Lord, with the favour that Thou bearest unto Thy people, O visit me with Thy salvation; that I may see the felicity of Thy chosen, and rejoice in the gladness of Thy people, and give thanks with Thine inheritance. There is glory which shall be revealed; for when the judge cometh some shall see Thy face cheerful, and shall be placed on the right, and shall hear those most welcome words, "Come, ye blessed." They shall be caught up in clouds to meet the Lord; they shall enter into gladness, they shall enjoy the sight of Him, they shall be ever with Him.*

*(A Prayer for Grace by Lancelot Andrewes (1555-1626))*