

many chances to turn around and not harm the Israelites but they chose their own death instead.

We found a similar story told by Paul in **Romans 5:6-8**. Paul said that, just as the Israelites were, we were completely helpless to free ourselves from the slavery of sin, we were in a spiritual 'no-win' situation.

As God freed and saved the Israelites at the right time by making a path through the Red Sea, He sent His Son, Jesus, at the right time to die in our place for our sin and create a path to save us from the consequence of our sin (spiritual death).

God showed His amazing love for us in that Jesus died for us while we were still sinners just as God repeatedly saved the Israelites regardless of their ungodly actions.

In Exodus, God saved His people from their oppressive enemy, the Egyptians. In Romans, Paul tells us that God saved His people from their oppressive enemy, Satan.

We talked about how there were many times that the Israelites seemed to be unlovable just as there are times when we may seem unlovable but God still always shows His love and mercy.

We talked about various people in our own lives who may seem to be unlovable and could greatly benefit from being shown God's love.

Our Challenge for this week is to identify people in our everyday lives who may seem unlovable and to look at them through God's eyes and then come up with actionable steps we can take to show them God's love and grace and mercy.

Join us next time when we continue to follow the Israelites on their journey to the Promised Land as they learn what it means to live as God's people.

New Year's Eve Youth Lock-in!



That's right, bring in the new year with your friends in our first overnight new years eve lock-in.

Fun, friends & Fellowship!

Watch for details coming soon!

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Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,

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