

# EXODUS

## God's Way Forward

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LIVING OUT RENEWAL

## EXODUS 18:1,5

<sup>1</sup> Now Jethro, the priest of Midian and father-in-law of Moses, heard of everything God had done for Moses and for his people Israel, and how the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt.

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<sup>5</sup> Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, together with Moses' sons and wife, came to him in the wilderness, where he was camped near the mountain of God.



**How can we live out spiritual renewal  
for the long term?**



**We work smart.**

## EXODUS 18:13,14

<sup>13</sup> The next day Moses took his seat to serve as judge for the people, and they stood around him from morning till evening. <sup>14</sup> When his father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he said, “What is this you are

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doing for the people? Why do you alone sit as judge, while all these people stand around you from morning till evening?”

## EXODUS 18:17,18

<sup>17</sup> Moses' father-in-law replied, "What you are doing is not good. <sup>18</sup> You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone.

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I do not mean to make an idol of health,  
but it does seem to me that at least some  
of us have made an idol of exhaustion.  
The only time we know we have done  
enough is when we are running on empty  
and when the ones we love most are

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the ones we see the least. When we lie down to sleep at night, we offer our full appointment calendars to God in lieu of prayer, believing that God—who is as busy as we are—will surely understand.

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**We work smart.**

# We work smart.

- Keep first things first

## EXODUS 18:19,20

<sup>19</sup> Listen now to me and I will give you some advice, and may God be with you. You must be the people's representative before God and bring their disputes to him. <sup>20</sup> Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave.

# We work smart.

- Keep first things first
- Work through people,  
not just for people

## EXODUS 18:21

<sup>21</sup> But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens.

**We live out our Core Values.**

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- God-sized Footprint

## EXODUS 18:23,24

<sup>23</sup> “If you do this and God so commands, you will be able to stand the strain, and all these people will go home satisfied.” <sup>24</sup> Moses listened to his father-in-law and did everything he said.

