



# DIGGING DEEPER

I Can, I Will, I Am

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This study guide is designed to help you dig deeper into the weekend message and apply it to your life. The questions below are meant to encourage thoughtful reflection, discussion, and prayer for you and your group. If you missed the message (or want to hear it again) go to [fopc.org/sermon](http://fopc.org/sermon) or download the Fair Oaks Church App.

## KEY SCRIPTURE [Read aloud]

Then we turned back and set out toward the wilderness along the route to the Red Sea,[a] as the Lord had directed me. For a long time we made our way around the hill country of Seir.

<sup>2</sup> Then the Lord said to me, <sup>3</sup> "You have made your way around this hill country long enough; now turn north. <sup>4</sup> Give the people these orders: 'You are about to pass through the territory of your relatives the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir. They will be afraid of you, but be very careful. <sup>5</sup> Do not provoke them to war, for I will not give you any of their land, not even enough to put your foot on. I have given Esau the hill country of Seir as his own. <sup>6</sup> You are to pay them in silver for the food you eat and the water you drink.'"

**Deuteronomy 2:1-6 (NIV)**

## Welcome to the first week of Fall Groups!

If you have anyone new in the group, take a moment to introduce everyone. Have everyone share a little about themselves, and their family.

## PRAY [Have someone open in prayer.]

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read through Deuteronomy 2:1-6 as a group. What is something from this weekend's message or the scripture that stood out to you?
2. Doug McMahon said that "Transformation is not a destination it is a continuous process of change for the good."
  - How well do you deal with change in life? What is one way you could embrace change as a gift from God?
3. In Deuteronomy 2:2-3 Moses writes: "Then the Lord said to me "You have made your way around this hill country long enough; now turn north."
  - One of the big focuses this weekend was how God allows us to wander and gives us direction in his timing.
  - Can anyone in your group describe a time from their life where God allowed them to wander or stray, but brought them back to him?
4. How many people in your group feel like they are wandering now? What has led you to feel this way?
5. Why do you think God reminded the Israelites that they are relatives of the descendants of Esau?
  - Why do you think God asks his people to be very careful of how they behave around the descendants of Esau? What should we remember about the people we are around at work, in our neighborhoods etc?

## PRAY [Have someone close in prayer.]