

SERMON OUTLINE Exodus 3

God's Self-Revelation

THE SHEPHERD AND THE BURNING BUSH (1-3)

INTRODUCTION TO YAHWEH (4-6)

GOD IS READY TO SAVE (7-12)

THE NAME OF GOD (13-15)

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION (16-22)

CONCLUSION

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MAIN POINT

The big idea of the passage is God's self-revelation by sight and sound as the Savior of Israel. God is preparing Moses to act as his Mediator between God, the Hebrews, and the Egyptians. God will do this not because He needs Moses but because He relates to His people covenantally, in human terms. In Exodus, God is using Moses, but in the greater Exodus, God will Himself appear as a man—Jesus Christ—as the Savior of the world.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? What most stood out? How was it helpful? Confusing?
2. Have you ever felt like your hopes for the future were dashed? Can you relate to Moses' life as an exiled shepherd?
3. What does it mean to worship God in "reverence and awe?" (Heb. 12:28?)
4. Why does God choose Moses to save Israel? What should this tell us about ourselves?
5. What does it look like to live in a distinctly "not of the world" way in your context?
6. How is the burning bush connected to the name of God?
7. What does it mean that God is unifying heaven and earth through Jesus Christ? How does this affect you?
8. What does it mean to listen to God's "Chosen One?" (Luke 9:35)
9. How is God using you for his kingdom? What gifts has he entrusted to you to use for his glory?
10. In what ways did the sermon help you see the greatness of God?

AREAS OF APPLICATION

11. Consider your role in fulfilling the mission of God: filling the earth with followers of Jesus.
12. Commit to build up Christ's church by loving one another (John 13:35).
13. Live in such a way that makes it easy for the people of Grace Church to love you as God's Word calls them to—be present in the various ministries of the church, invite people over to your house, pray often, be quick to listen and forgive.
14. Commit to growing in your understanding of Christian worldview in some specific way.
15. Ask two different people in your family or DG (1) One thing they got from this sermon, and (2) How you can pray for them.
16. Ask God to show you one specific thing you ought to do differently as a result of this text or sermon? Share that and pray about it with someone in your DG. Continue praying for and checking in with each other until you've both done it.

PRAYER POINTS

17. Adoration. Praise God that He is love, friend, protector, healer, savior, and righteous. Praise God that He is triune.
18. Confess. Confess any ways you have irreverently treated God's name. Confess any ways you've been apathetic to or selfish about loving other Christians as God commands.
19. Thanksgiving. Thank God for choosing you out of the world, for providing help for the world's hatred and persecution, thank God for loving you in Christ. Thank Jesus for remaining perfectly faithful to the Father through the very end and the example that is for us. Thank God for the Christians in your life that have loved you in a protecting and healing way.
20. Supplication. Ask God to heal the wounds of the world in the lives of the people you love. Ask God to help us live like Jesus no matter the cost. Ask God to help us love one another well. Ask God to help us see His glory more clearly and fully. Ask God to help us love the world in such a way that demonstrates God's mercy and grace.