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# **Encounter God**

### Transform your Future

### **Enountering God = Transformation**

#### Exodus 3

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- **7-8** God said, "I've taken a good, long look at the affliction of my people in Egypt. I've heard their cries for deliverance from their slave masters; I know all about their pain. And now I have come down to help them, pry them loose from the grip of Egypt, get them out of that country and bring them to a good land with wide-open spaces, a land lush with milk and honey, the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite.
- **9-10** "The Israelite cry for help has come to me, and I've seen for myself how cruelly they're being treated by the Egyptians. It's time for you to go back: I'm sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the People of Israel, out of Egypt."
- 11 Moses answered God, "But why me? What makes you think that I could ever go to Pharaoh and lead the children of Israel out of Egypt?"
- 12 "I'll be with you," God said. "And this will be the proof that I am the one who sent you: When you have brought my people out of Egypt, you will worship God right here at this very mountain."
- 13 Then Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the People of Israel and I tell them, 'The God of your fathers sent me to you'; and they ask me, 'What is his name?' What do I tell them?"
- 14 God said to Moses, "I-AM-WHO-I-AM. Tell the People of Israel, 'I-AM sent me to you."

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- 8我下来是要救他们脱离埃及人的手,领他们出了那地,到美好、宽阔、流奶与蜜之地,就是到迦南人、赫人、亚摩利人、比利洗人、希未人、耶布斯人之地。
- 9现在以色列人的哀声达到我耳中,我也看见埃及 人怎样欺压他们。
- 10 故此,我要打发你去见法老,使你可以将我的百姓以色列人从埃及领出来。
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- A. Moses came to God in the wilderness...

He was in the wilderness He was in the END of the wilderness He was a prince in egypt, servants, money no problem

Then he came to the mountain of God... Why?

No better place...

Some of you are going though wilderness experiences... Some of you are at the end of your rope Marriage, family, finances, job, health problems When you get to the end of your own strength God is there...

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What we know or think that we know about God is the enemy of greater revelation

Good, better, best, never let it rest, until the good is better and the better is best.

We don't want to be satisfied with what we have now...

We need to asking God for more

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness and they will be filled.

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<sup>6</sup>Blessed and fortunate and happy and [g]spiritually prosperous (in that state in which the born-again child of God [h]enjoys His favor and salvation) are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God), for they shall be []completely satisfied!(C)

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- Paul encouraged the believers to desire the most excellent things...
- 9-11So this is my prayer: that your love will flourish and that you will not only love much but well. Learn to love appropriately. You need to use your head and test your feelings so that your love is sincere and intelligent, not sentimental gush. Live a lover's life, circumspect and exemplary, a life Jesus will be proud of: bountiful in fruits from the soul, making Jesus Christ attractive to all, getting everyone involved in the glory and praise of God. Phil 1:10so that you may (Z)approve the things that are excellent,
- **10** 使你们能分别是非(或作: 喜爱那美好的事),作诚实无过的人,直到基督的日子; 11 并靠着耶稣基督结满了仁义的果子,叫荣耀称赞归与神。

God wants us to have more!!!

More love, more power, more of you in my life...

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1. God wants to reveal Himself to us...

#### C. Moses honoured the presence of God

We need to honour God's presence among us...

#### How did Moses honour God's presence?

- i. He was available Here am I...
- ii. He humbled himself Take off your sandals...
- iii. He listened to God

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- 2. Why does God want to reveal Himself to us?
- A. God has a plan for your life

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- B. Revelation brings transformation

We can only change as we know God more...

Our identity creates our destiny...

We can only "do" out of what we have become... Last time we talked about how so many Christians are unhappy in church... How many pastors are unhappy in the ministry...

Why? Because there is a difference between who they are and what they are trying to do...

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### 2. Why does God want to reveal Himself to us?

We see that in Moses life

He resists God...

Why me?

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- 2. Why does God want to reveal Himself to us?
- C. Revelation transforms our circumstances
- When we have a revelation of God the problems before us become opportunities

What changed when God spoke to Moses?

We can transform our circumstances with God's Word...

- Moses went to Pharoah with the Word of the Lord and a staff
- God used the plagues to show that God not only the Egyptians but the Jews that He was greater than all the Gods of Pharoah...

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- God used the plagues to provide the riches of Egypt to plunder the egyptians
- God used the bondage in Egypt to create a nation They went from 70 members of Jacob's family to 600,000 Jews coming to Israel
- God used the deliverance from Egypt to create fear in the hearts of every other people in the nations around them and to give them victory.

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### 2. Why does God want to reveal Himself to us?

I believe that God wants to

- use your problems to become your blessing
- use your difficulties to become your stepping stone
- use your pain to become the source of your joy
- use the failures of the past and present to bring you success

God wants to use the problems of our church to make this church prosper.

We are are not defeated!

We are more than conquerors...

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