

## Exodus 3: God Calls Moses I.

### I. The Call: 1-12.

After 40 years in Pharaoh's Palace **Moses** went through 40 years of life as a shepherd and is now entering his last 40 years as the Exodus leader. **God appears to Moses as a bush** that wasn't burning up, He called him, introduced Himself to him and explains how He had come down to free the Israelites from Egypt and is going to lead them to a fruitful land.

*"I have seen...I have heard their cry...I know...I have come down!"* *What a message of grace! Moses often had wondered about the condition of his beloved people, and now he was shown that God had been watching over them all the time."*

*"Here I am"* **is his response**; the **ground** was **holy** because of God's presence. God then told Moses how He would bring about the deliverance of His people. **Moses felt unworthy, didn't know how to present the case before Pharaoh and to the Israelites. The purpose of the deliverance was that Israel might "worship God."**

*"Moses rejoiced to hear that God was about to deliver Israel, but then he heard the news that he was the deliverer! "I will send you!" God uses human instruments to accomplish His work on earth. There had been eighty years of preparation for Moses; now it was time to act. Unfortunately, Moses did not reply, "Here am I; send me."*

*Matthew 25:21* - *"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

*1 Corinthians 1:26-31* - *For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence. But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD."*

II. I AM WHO I AM: 13-22.

*I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, I AM WHO I AM: above all/I have no equal/independent/self-sufficient/eternal.*

**Genesis 14:22** - *But Abram said to the king of Sodom, “I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth*

**Genesis 17:1** - *When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless.*

**Genesis 21:33** - *Then Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there called on the name of the LORD, the Everlasting God.*

**Genesis 22:14** - *And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said to this day, “In the Mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”*

*1. I am the bread of life - John 6:35, 48, 51*

*2. I am the light of the world - John 8:12; 9:5*

*3. I am the door of the sheep - John 10:7, 9*

*4. I am the good shepherd – John 10:11, 14*

*5. I am the resurrection and the life – John 11:25*

*6. I am the way, the truth, and the life – John 14:6*

*7. I am the true vine – John 15:1*

## **I'd Rather Have Jesus**

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G                      C      G

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold

D7

I'd rather be His than have riches untold

G                      C      G

I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands

D7                  G

I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced hand

D7                      C      G

Than to be the king of a vast domain

D7                      C      G

And be held in sin's dread s-way

C      G

I'd rather have Jesus than anything

D7 G

This world affords today

C G

I'd rather have Jesus than worldly applause

D7

I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause

G C G

I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame

D7 G

I'd rather be true to His holy name

Repeat #2

C G

He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom

D7

He's sweeter than honey from out the comb

G C G

He's all that my hungering spirit needs

D7 G

I'd rather have Jesus and let Him lead