



God called Moses – The revelation of God

- Moses was called unto God five times.
- Each time, God revealed a certain aspect of His character to Moses. In each encounter, there were distinct revelations of God's being that were manifested to Moses.
- He was given opportunities to understand the mind and the will of God.
- God was preparing Moses as a fine vessel to fulfill His purpose.

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- ▶ **The Revelation of His Person - What He Displayed** - “God called unto him out of the midst of the bush” Exo. 3:4
- ▶ **The Revelation of His Principles- What He Demands-** “And the LORD called unto him out of the mountain” Exo. 19:3
- ▶ **The Revelation of His Purity- What He Dictates** - “And the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount” Exo. 19:20
- ▶ **The Revelation of His Pattern- What He Desires-** “And the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud” Exo. 24:16
- ▶ **The Revelation of His Pleasure- What He deserves-** “And the LORD called unto Moses” Lev. 1:1

The Revelation of His Person - “God called unto him out of the midst of the bush” Exo. 3:4

- ▷ **The Picture** - *“Behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.”*
- ▷ **The Person** - *“And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him”*
- ▷ **The Plan** - *“I am come down to deliver”*
- ▷ **The Proof** - *“But, behold they will not believe me”*

The Picture - *"the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed."*

- ▶ **It was an unique encounter with God** - "And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed." Exo. 3:2
- ▶ **It was a great sight that caught Moses's attention** - " And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt." Exo. 3:3

The Picture - *“ the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.”*

- ▶ It reminds us of the picture of the Cross where the Holy one endured the Divine fire while on the Cross and was not consumed.
- ▶ "The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; And killed the Prince of life, **whom God hath raised from the dead;** whereof we are witnesses." Acts 3:13-15

Exodus 3

2 And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4 And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

● What was strange about the fire?



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The Picture - *“ the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.”*

- ▶ The double address - "God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, **Moses, Moses.** And he said, Here am I."
- ▶ God is exclusively talking to Moses and demanding his **full attention.**
- ▶ There were seven people who had double address by the divine person.

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▶ **The Holiness of God** - "And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is **holy ground.**" - Exo 3:5
- ▶ This is the first aspect of God's character that was revealed to Moses.
- ▶ God is conveying to him the immensity of His holiness.
- ▶ It is going to affect his walk with God and his service to God.
- ▶ Similar encounters where holiness was expressed-
 - When the captain of the host of the Lord appeared to Joshua.
 - Isaiah heard the loud utterance of the Seraphims "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord Almighty" in Isa. 6.

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▷ ***The faithfulness of God*** - "Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. " - Exo 3:6
- ▷ God's promise to Abraham - "And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance." Gen 15:13, 14

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▶ God's promise to Isaac - "And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swore unto Abraham thy father;" Gen 26:2, 3

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▷ God's promise to Jacob - "And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I am the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." Gen 28:13-15

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▶ ***The Righteousness of God*** - "And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God." - Exo 3:6
- ▶ The effect of the revelation of God was being manifested in this encounter by the response of Moses.
- ▶ Moses was touched by the righteousness of God - he was afraid to look upon God.

The Person - *"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him"*

- ▶ **The kindness of God** - "And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;" Exo. 3:7
- ▶ God fully knew their condition and was sensitive to their affliction and sorrows.
- ▶ "But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;" Titus 3:4, 5

The Plan - *"I am come down to deliver"*

- ▶ **The Power of God** - "And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites." Exo. 3:8
- ▶ God revealed a specific plan of redemption to Moses which is consistent with God's covenant with their fathers.
- ▶ God has the power to redeem them and bring them to the Promised land.

The Proof - "But, behold, they will not believe me"

- ▶ "And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee." Exo. 4:1
- ▶ The proof also came as a precaution for Moses to watch out for his future ministry.
- ▶ **The Rod**- A symbol of his authority/power - "And the LORD said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod." Exo. 4:2

The Proof - "But, behold, they will not believe me"

- ▶ **The Heart** – Concealed of sin - " And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous as snow." Exo. 4:6
- ▶ **The water of the river** – The place from where he was taken out-" And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land." Exo. 4:9