

“The Pentateuch”
Exodus 3
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Genesis – Deuteronomy “The Law”

The Pentateuch – word penta- (Five) teuchos – (Scroll or Book)

Exodus - In the Greek language, Exodus means “The way out”, “Departing”

Exodus 1-18 Redemption: The Lord Delivers His People

- 1. Verses 1-6 – Burning Bush**
- 2. Verses 7-10 – The Call of God**
- 3. Verses 11-22 – Moses’ Excuses**

1. Verses 1-6 – Burning Bush:

Ex 3:2

And the angel of the Lord – this is a term for a “Christophony” or “Theophany” It is Christ in different forms. Usually by the “Angel of the Lord.”

Ex 3:4 God

Ex 3:6 to look at God.

In a blazing fire –Deut 4:24

What do we see in this bush?

Ex 3:6

Matt 22:31-32

2. Verses 7-10 – The Call of God:

Ex 3:7

And the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction – “His eye was on them from the beginning”

Psalm 139:1

Psalms 139:6

Ex 3:8

God was going to accomplish 2 great things:

1. Deliver Israel from bondage: to deliver them from the power of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land
2. Lead Israel to a new land: to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey,

3. Verses 11-22 – Moses' Excuses:

Moses gives a total of 5 excuses for not being the man for the job.

Excuse 1# Moses - "I am a nobody!" Ex 3:11-12

Excuse 2# Moses - "What is your name?" Ex 3:13-22

Excuse 3# Moses - "They will not believe me" Ex 4:1-9

Excuse 4# Moses - "I am not eloquent" Ex 4:10-12

Excuse 5# Moses - "O my Lord, send..." (but not me) Ex 4:13-17

Excuse 1# Moses - "I am a nobody!" Ex 3:11-12

Ex 3:11

Jer. 1:6

Ex 3:12

Matt 28:19-20

Excuse 2# Moses - "What is your name?" Ex 3:13-22

Ex 3:13 Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?"

What Moses asked was, "What does Your name mean? What kind of a God are You?" (Character and Purpose)

Ex 3:14

"I AM WHO I AM"; Jehovah - (KJV Lord) based on the Hebrew verb "to be" or "to become." He never changes! He is "The self-existent One who always was, always is, and always will be"

"I AM" the faithful and dependable God who calls Himself "I AM."

The All-sufficiency of God

The eternal existence of God

The self-sufficiency of God

1. "I am the Bread of Life" John 6:35
2. "I am the Light of the world" John 8:12
3. "I am the Gate for 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 and the Truth and the Life" John 14:6
7. "I am the true Vine" John 15:1, 5

John 18:6

Ex 3:15

This is My name forever, and this is My memorial-name to all generations. God wanted Israel and the whole world to know who He is. "The self-existent One who always was, always is, and always will be, the faithful and dependable God"

Ex. 3:16-22 The Eternal God Knows the End from the Beginning:

Application:

Self-sufficiency – man forgets that God is necessary. We do it!

Self-abasement – becoming so preoccupied with our helplessness that we forget God is available.

When God says He will be with us and He will do it, it should stop the excuses and cause us to trust Him.