



MOSES & THE BURNING BUSH

EXODUS 3: 1-12



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“Then he said, ‘Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place you are standing is holy ground.’”

Exodus 3:5

Do you have a moment in your life where everything changed? A graduation, a big move, a job transition, a marriage, a loss that greatly impacted you, a child’s arrival, life altering news? This could be a moment in which time slowed and everything stopped, and you feel the weight of the moment. In this passage, God comes to Moses in the form of a burning bush. This was the moment for Moses. Moses sees the mesmerizing fire, smells the burning wood and the air feels heavier. He is drawn to the fire, but the significance of the moment has him pause to the warning to stay back for he is on holy ground. He is with the Lord.

At this point in history, Israel has been enslaved for over 400 years in Egypt. They have faced a murderous Pharaoh and grueling conditions and were left wondering – where is their God in all this? Here in the passage, we get to see the rescue plan put into motion. God has seen his people and their affliction, and he is doing something about it. We know that God sees his people, and he is showing Moses this in an incredible way. Because in this moment, as

Moses draws to the burning bush and hears God speak, his life and the lives of his people are about to change.

What about you? Have you encountered this life changing God? Has it made you stop and take a moment to breathe before you can take in the weight of his presence and holiness? A moment like that changes you. You cannot stay the same after you encounter God. The question Moses will ask in the next few verses is, why me? What do I have to offer? Is God sure that I am the one who can do this? And the answer is God is enough. I do not know about you but that feels heavy and freeing that God is enough, and He is all that I need. God uses the form of a burning bush to show Moses what He is like and then calls him to become a part of His rescue plan.

Father, I pray that we would be drawn into Your Presence today and that we would be reminded of Your Faithfulness to us. Show us how we can be a part of Your rescue plan for others. Amen.



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