God's Way Forward

WHEN GOD CALLS YOUR NAME

EXODUS 3:1-4

¹Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not

EXODUS 3:1-4

burn up. ³ So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

EXODUS 3:1-4

⁴ When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

God has a mission with your name on it.

It starts with Jesus and it is for Jesus

MATTHEW 28:18

¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

It starts with Jesus and it is for Jesus

· It's Jesus' Great Commission

MATTHEW 28:19,20

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

- It starts with Jesus and it is for Jesus
- · It's Jesus' Great Commission
- · It's pictured in Moses

EXODUS 3:7-10

⁷The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land...

EXODUS 3:4-8

⁹ And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰ So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

Our usual question: Who am 1?

EXODUS 3:11

¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

God's timeless response: It's who I am.

EXODUS 3:14

¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you."

When it gets painfully personal:

• My credibility

EXODUS 4:1,2

¹Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The Lord did not appear to you'?" ² Then the Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" "A staff," he replied.

· My credibility

· My capability

EXODUS 4:10

Moses said to the Lord, "Pardon your servant, Lord. I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue."

When we hit God's bottom line:

EXODUS 13,14A

¹³ But Moses said, "Pardon your servant, Lord. Please send someone else." ¹⁴ Then the Lord's anger burned against Moses...

