



MOSES!

Lesson 3

Proverbs 16:3

Commit to the Lord everything you do. Then He will make your plans succeed.

Moses and the Burning Bush

Exodus 3:1–22

¹Moses was taking care of the flock of his father-in-law Jethro. Jethro was the priest of Midian. Moses led the flock to the western side of the desert. He came to Horeb. It was the mountain of God. ²There the angel of the Lord appeared to him from inside a burning bush. Moses saw that the bush was on fire. But it didn't burn up. ³So Moses thought, "I'll go over and see this strange sight. Why doesn't the bush burn up?"

⁴The Lord saw that Moses had gone over to look. So God spoke to him from inside the bush. He called out, "Moses! Moses!"

"Here I am," Moses said.

⁵"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals. The place you are standing on is holy ground." ⁶He continued, "I am the God of your father. I am the God of Abraham. I am the God of Isaac. And I am the God of Jacob." When Moses heard that, he turned his face away. He was afraid to look at God.

⁷The Lord said, "I have seen how My people are suffering in Egypt. I have heard them cry out because of their slave drivers. I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to save them from the Egyptians. I will bring them up out of that land. I will bring them into a good land. It has a lot of room. It is a land that has plenty of milk and honey. The Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites live there. ⁹And now Israel's cry for help has reached Me. I have seen how badly the Egyptians are treating them. ¹⁰So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh. I want you to bring the Israelites out of Egypt. They are My people."

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

¹²God said, "I will be with you. I will give you a sign. It will prove that I have sent you. When you have brought the people out of Egypt, all of you will worship Me on this mountain."

¹³Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the people of Israel. Suppose I say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' And suppose they ask me, 'What is His name?' Then what should I tell them?"

¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. Here is what you must say to the Israelites. Tell them, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord is the God of your fathers. He has sent me to you. He is the God of Abraham. He is the God of Isaac. And He is the God of Jacob.' My name will always be The Lord. Call Me this name for all time to come."

¹⁶“Go. Gather the elders of Israel together. Say to them, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, appeared to me. He is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. God said, ‘I have watched over you. I have seen what the Egyptians have done to you. ¹⁷I have promised to bring you up out of Egypt where you are suffering. I will bring you into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. It is a land that has plenty of milk and honey.’”

¹⁸“The elders of Israel will listen to you. Then you and the elders must go to the king of Egypt. You must say to him, ‘The Lord has met with us. He is the God of the Hebrews. Let us take a journey that lasts about three days. We want to go into the desert to offer sacrifices to the Lord our God.’ ¹⁹But I know that the king of Egypt will not let you and your people go. Only a mighty hand could make him do that. ²⁰So I will reach out My hand. I will strike the Egyptians with all the amazing things I will do. After that, their king will let you go.

²¹“I will cause the Egyptians to treat you in a kind way. Then when you leave, you will not go with your hands empty. ²²Every woman should ask her neighbor and any woman living in her house for things made out of silver and gold. Ask them for clothes too. Put them on your children. In that way, you will take the wealth of Egypt along with you.”

Questions

- 1 What was Moses doing when these events took place? Moses was taking _____ of the _____ that belonged to his father-in-law, Reuel, who was also named _____. (Ex. 3:1)
- 2 What mountain did Moses come to? Moses came to the mountain of God, which was called _____. (Ex. 3:1)
- 3 Who appeared to Moses at Horeb? The _____ of the _____ appeared to Moses at Horeb from _____ a _____ bush. (Ex. 3:2)
- 4 What was strange about this bush? The bush was on fire but didn't _____ up. (Ex. 3:2)
- 5 Who spoke to Moses from inside the burning bush when Moses went over to take a closer look? _____ spoke to Moses by calling out his **n** _____ (rhymes with “same”) twice. (Ex. 3:4)
- 6 How did Moses respond? Moses said, “_____ _ _____.” (Ex. 3:4)
- 7 What did God tell Moses to do? God told Moses to not come any _____, and to take _____ his _____, because the place he was standing on was _____ ground. (Ex. 3:5)
- 8 What else did Moses do, besides what God had told him to do? Why? Moses _____ his face away, because he was _____ to look at God. (Ex. 3:6)
- 9 What did God tell Moses that God was going to do? God told Moses that God was going to _____ the Israelites from the Egyptians and _____ them into a _____ land that had a _____ of room and plenty of _____ and _____. (Ex. 3:8)

- 10 What did God tell Moses that God wanted him to do? God told Moses that God wanted him to go to _____ and bring the Israelites _____ of Egypt. (Ex. 3:10)
- 11 Was Moses *eager* to do this job? (Yes/No) _____. Moses responded by saying, “_____ _____?” (Ex. 3:11)

1 Peter 2:9

But God chose you to be His people. You are royal priests. You are a holy nation. You are God's special treasure. You are all these things so that you can give Him praise. God brought you out of darkness into His wonderful light.

- 12 At first, Moses didn't know who he was in God. Do you know who you are in Christ Jesus? I am **C** _____ (rhymes with “frozen”) by God to be His people. I am a royal _____. I am part of a _____ nation. I am God's _____. I am all these things so that I can give God _____. I was brought _____ of darkness into His _____.
- 13 How did God respond to Moses' insecurities (opposite of “feelings of self-confidence”)? God told Moses that God would be _____ him and would give him a _____. (Ex. 3:12)

Isaiah 41:10a

“So do not be afraid. I [the Lord] am with you. Do not be terrified. I am your God. I will make you strong and help you. I will hold you safe in My hands.”

- 14 Are you ever to be afraid of something God asks you to do or of something that happens in your life? (Yes/No) _____. Why not? Because God is _____ me. He is **m** _____ God. He will make me _____ and _____ me. He will _____ me _____ in His _____.
- 15 What name of God was Moses to use when talking to the Israelites? The name of God Moses was to use when talking to the Israelites was “_____ _____.” (Ex. 3:14)
- 16 How do you feel when you think about this name of God? I feel _____.
- 17 How long will that name be God's? That name will _____ be God's. (Ex. 3:15)
- 18 Whom was Moses to gather together when he got to Egypt? Moses was to gather together the _____ of Israel. (Ex. 3:16)
- 19 Would it be only Moses who would go to the king of Egypt? (Yes/No) _____. It would be both Moses and the _____ of Israel who would go. (Ex. 3:18)

- 20 What were Moses and the elders to ask the king of Egypt? Why? They were to ask the king to let God's people, the Israelites, take a journey that would last _____ days. This journey would take the Israelites into the _____ so that they could offer _____ to the Lord their God. (Ex. 3:18)
- 21 Would the king of Egypt agree to this? (Yes/No) _____. (Ex. 3:19)
- 22 What would God do then? God would reach out His hand and _____ the Egyptians with all the _____ things He would do. (Ex. 3:20)
- 23 After that, would the king finally let God's people go? (Yes/No) _____. (Ex. 3:20)
- 24 Would the Israelites go with their hands empty? (Yes/No) _____. The Israelites would take the _____ of Egypt with them. They would take _____, _____, and _____. (Ex. 3:21-22)

How did the Holy Spirit speak to you this week as you studied these Bible verses? In other words, what did you learn this week from reading God's Word?
