



Exodus

THE CALLING OF MOSES

Exodus 3:1-15

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PREPARATION

Moses spent 40 years in training as God prepared both him and His people to enter into His plan of redemption.

REVELATION

While Moses was tending the flock, the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a miraculous burning bush.

- Angel of the LORD - this phrase appears 67 times in the Old Testament. Who is this? An angel? God Himself? A foreshadowing of Christ?
- Fire - theophanies often are accompanied by fire.

INVITATION

God reveals His plan of redemption to Moses. He invites Moses to join Him in this great plan. This is the calling of Moses!

HESITATION

Moses is unsure of his qualifications. "Who am I?" - is a legitimate question at this point.

AFFIRMATION

God promises Moses that He will be present with him and His people. He assures him that one day, God's people will return to this very mountain to worship Him.

FURTHER REVELATION

God reveals more about His identity by reminding Moses of His covenant Name:

- YHWH - God is. He is absolutely eternal in His essence. He exists independently of His creation. He is Who He chooses to be. He has always been. He will always be.
- God of History - God has been at work in the life of Israel from the very beginning. He can be trusted.
- God of the Future - God will continue to be God forever and ever, throughout all generations.