

YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

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Call to Worship

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Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:11-22

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Message: "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?" Exodus 3:11

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Closing Prayer

Offering

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INTRODUCTION

1. Moses had fled Egypt a long time ago
2. The LORD appears to him and wants him to deliver the children of Israel and lead them to Canaan

THE INITIAL RESPONSE OF MOSES

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

Exodus 3:11

1. "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?"
 - a) Moses was conscious of his inadequacy
 - b) How could he even gain an audition with the Pharaoh?
2. "That I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"
 - a) How was he going to lead?
 - b) How was he going to succeed?
3. The basic idea beneath what Moses was saying to the LORD
 - a) It is not going to work
 - b) He is not the right leader

THE IMMEDIATE ANSWER FROM THE LORD

So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this *shall be* a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

Exodus 3:12

1. The Presence of the LORD

- a) God will be with Moses
- b) He does not have to worry about the Pharaoh or the success of his mission

2. The Promise of the LORD

- a) The children of Israel would be at this same mountain
- b) This would come to pass

THE WORRYING CONCERN OF MOSES

Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, *when* I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What *is* His name?' what shall I say to them?"

Exodus 3:13

- 1. If Moses were to declare that God had sent him
- 2. What if the children of Israel raised the following question
"What is His name?"
- 3. How should Moses answer?
"What shall I say to them?"

GOD ANSWERS PATIENTLY

¹⁴ And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " ¹⁵ Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This *is* My name forever, and this *is* My memorial to all generations.' " ¹⁶ Go and gather the elders of Israel together, and say to them, 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared to me, saying, "I have surely visited you and *seen* what is done to you in Egypt; ¹⁷ and I have said I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, to a land flowing with milk and honey." ' " ¹⁸ Then they will heed your voice; and you shall come, you and the elders of Israel, to the king of Egypt; and you shall say to him, 'The LORD God of the Hebrews has met with us; and now, please, let us go three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.' " ¹⁹ But I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not even by a mighty hand. ²⁰ So I will stretch out My hand and strike Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in its midst; and after that he will let

you go. ²¹ And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be, when you go, that you shall not go empty-handed. ²² But every woman shall ask of her neighbour, namely, of her who dwells near her house, articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing; and you shall put *them* on your sons and on your daughters. So you shall plunder the Egyptians.”

Exodus 3:14-22

1. God's name

- a) It is “I AM WHO I AM”
- b) God is not confined to a single name
 - i) He is the God of Abraham
 - ii) He is the God of Isaac
 - iii) He is the God of Jacob
- c) This is God's Memorial name forever

2. The plan given to Moses

- a) To gather the elders of the children of Israel
- b) The message of the LORD is to be given to the leaders
 - i) He has seen all that Egypt had done against the children of Israel
 - ii) He will bring them out of Egypt to a great land
- c) Moses and the elders of the land will speak to Pharaoh collectively
- d) They are to ask for leave of absence for three days to offer sacrifice to the LORD

3. Resistance and rejection from the Pharaoh

- a) He will not accede to this request
- b) He will resist Moses strongly
- c) He will resist the children of Israel

4. God's plan to reveal His power to Egypt

- a) Pharaoh will resist strongly
- b) All must hold fast to the promises of God
- c) They will plunder the Egyptians

CONCLUSION

1. To know the LORD better
2. To trust in Him
3. To obey His command by carrying out His plan