



## Worthy of Worship | “GOD COMMISSIONS”

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### Exodus 3:1-10 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>Now 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. <sup>2</sup>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 burn up. <sup>3</sup>So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.”

<sup>4</sup>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.”

<sup>5</sup>“Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy

ground.” <sup>6</sup>Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.” At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>The 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. <sup>8</sup>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, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. <sup>10</sup>So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.”

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### Notes:

### God who Commissions

“The Old Testament is theological history. It has been written to teach lessons. The primary lesson I would argue is to teach us what God is like and what it means for his people to live with that knowledge... If I can put it another way, the Bible is an argument to God’s people that God is worthy of our worship.” (Dr. Peter Enns)

BEFORE: “Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law” (3:1)

AFTER: “So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.” (3:10)

In the Story of the Bible, God always calls (commissions) humans to join with him in his work of rescue.

How God works:

- I have seen the misery... (7)
- So I have come down to rescue... (8)
- So now, go. I am sending you... (10)

## **You Are Commissioned!**

- “As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” (John 20:21)
- “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...” (Matthew 28:19)

Objection #1 – What, me?? (3:11-12)

God’s Answer: I will be with you!

Objection #2 – Who is this God? (3:13-22)

God’s Answer: I AM who I AM!

Objection #3 – What if they won’t believe me? (4:1-9)

God’s Answer: 3 Signs of God’s authority

Objection #4 – I am not eloquent! (4:10-12)

God’s Answer: I will help you speak and teach you what to say!

Objection #5 – Please send someone else (4:13-17)

God’s Answer: Aaron, your brother, will be your ‘mouth’

## **Conclusion:**

- Our commission is not an optional ‘add-on’ to faith in Jesus
- God equips us to serve as He calls us
- We serve together
- We serve a holy God!