

DAY 36

From the Bush to the Blueprint

God called out to him from the bush, “Moses, Moses!”

Exodus 3:4

Leadership Affirmation

I have a clear understanding that the Lord called me to a life of leadership within a Christian setting.

Blueprints are like snowflakes and fingerprints. Each is unique; yet all have certain similarities. Moses’ call in the Midian wilderness was definitely unique! One moment, Moses is herding sheep and minding his business in the wilderness, and the next, a bush is on fire without burning up, with the voice of God speaking from the bush. God disrupted Moses’ routine lifestyle with an amazing mandate: I have a mission for you!

Tucked into Moses’ call are questions that still echo: How does God call people today? What does it feel like? And *who* does He call? Beneath the drama and the divine fireworks of Moses’ call, we find a deeply practical picture of what it means to be called by God.

The Call is Personal. *God called to him from the bush, “Moses! Moses!”* (Exodus 3:4). God knows your name. This wasn’t a generic, “Hey you!” type of thing. God wasn’t tossing divine darts into the desert, hoping to hit a warm body. He knew exactly who He wanted, and He called him personally.

The Call is Providential. *The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire...* (Exodus 3:2). This call wasn’t Moses’ idea. God orchestrated it. He set the bush ablaze, knowing with certainty that Moses would see it.

The Call is Purposeful. *Come, I will send you to Pharaoh...* (Exodus 3:10). God didn’t call Moses for a feel-good moment or to give him a cool testimony. He had a mission. A hard one. The call of God is always about joining God in what He’s already doing. God never calls you to *nothing*. He calls you to *something*.

The Call Contains a Promise. *I will be with you.* (Exodus 3:12). When Moses begins to freak out with excuse after excuse, God answers with the non-comforting yet most-comforting statement ever: *“I will be with you.”* God doesn’t throw you into the deep end and hope you can swim. He walks with you, step by step.

Prayer for Protection

Lord, if I cannot recall the precise day, time, or location You placed Your call on my life, please confirm with an inner certainty that You have called me to lead and I can do nothing else but say, “Here Am I!”