

Sermon Notes

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

⁴ 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.”

⁵ “Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶ 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.

⁷ 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. ⁸ 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. Exodus 3:1-9

Details

1. Moses is a shepherd for Midian.

Moses started as a _____, became a _____, and is now a _____.

2. Moses takes his sheep to the far side of the wilderness to Horeb. _____

The same area where Moses struck a rock and water flowed, is also the same mountain where God gave Moses the 10 commandments. This is the same place where the Jews made a golden calf, and it is also the same place where Elijah fled after his great victory against the prophets of Baal, and Jezebel threatened to hunt him down.

3. The Angel of the Lord appeared in flames.

This is the pre-incarnate Christ.

Fire is used to symbolize the _____.

As God is calling Moses on His mission, there will be a _____ of Moses.

4. Holy Ground:

Holy means _____.

Moses is standing on holy _____ or _____.

This is either _____ of God's presence or God actually _____.

5. Take off your sandals: _____?

A. Moses is standing there.

The only thing _____ Moses and God's holiness is the soles of his shoes.

Being barefoot brings Moses _____ with something God has made holy.

B. Just as we would be concerned about dragging dirt in from the outside, God may have been concerned with _____.

" Then the altar will be most holy and whatever touches it will be holy". Exodus 29:37

¹⁶ They alone are to enter my sanctuary; they alone are to come near my table to minister before me and serve me as guards. ¹⁷ "When they enter the gates of the inner court, they are to wear linen clothes; ...¹⁹ When they go out into the outer court where the people are, they are to take off the clothes they have been ministering in and are to leave them in the sacred rooms, and put on other clothes, so that the people are not consecrated through contact with their garments. Ezekiel 44:16-19

6. God of your father, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

God is not only reminding Moses of the covenant but reminding him of _____.

7. I have seen, I have heard, I am concerned:

He sees our suffering, he hears our cries, and he is concerned with our burdens.

8. I have come down and will rescue:

_____, he doesn't just see, hear and have concern but he comes down and he rescues.

Christophany

1. He came down to rescue us.

He came to rescue us from the slavery of _____ and save us from the suffering of _____.

2. The place where you are standing is holy ground.

Jesus' _____ in our lives sets us apart.

Come to me to have life

To be Holy is to be set apart, and it is only by an act of God that we are made holy.

Holiness is an action that we take part in. It requires sacrifice, and is leaving the old way of life to discover His life. It doesn't come as _____.