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## Points To Remember

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**Sunday, September 20, 2020**

**Worship Pastor:** Jeff Norris  
**Worship Leaders:** Kevin Chung and Laura Story Elvington

**Series:** Exodus  
**Sermon:** The Name of God  
**Scripture:** Exodus 3 and 4 (3:1-15)  
**Teaching:** Bob Cargo

Introduction: "God"

- A. The Experience of Moses
- B. The Name and Nature of God – \_\_\_\_
- C. Our Need of This
  - 1. The Incomprehensible \_\_\_\_\_ of God
  - 2. The Gracious Redemptive \_\_\_\_\_ of God
- D. How Can We Know Such a God? \_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion: How Do We Respond?

## Exodus 3:1-15 NIV '84

"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 desert 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." <sup>11</sup> But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" <sup>12</sup> And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain." <sup>13</sup> Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?" <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" <sup>15</sup> God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the 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, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation."

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## Important Announcements

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### Fall Serve Day: Find Your Place To Serve

*Saturday, October 3, 9:30 - 11:30 AM, at various nonprofit locations*

We will be putting together emergency food bags, Thanksgiving meal boxes, and personal hygiene kits while serving our local co-ops. Space is limited, and we are expecting all volunteers to wear masks while they serve. Sign up your family or small group to serve at one of these opportunities being offered at [perimeter.org/ServeDay](http://perimeter.org/ServeDay).

### Listen To The Latest Episodes Of Digging Deeper

Digging Deeper is a podcast hosted by Jeff and other members of the teaching team to discuss in depth the current sermon series and how we can apply God's teaching to our everyday lives. It's available at [perimeter.org/DiggingDeeper](http://perimeter.org/DiggingDeeper) as well as on Apple podcasts and Spotify.

### Chapel Services Are Now Reopened

The Chapel is now open for services at 10:45 AM only. Masks are required and seats are limited for social distancing. Please reserve your spot at [perimeter.org/Reservations](http://perimeter.org/Reservations), and watch our video on what to expect.

### Please Join Us For Our Young Adults And Families Series

*Thursdays, September 24, October 1, and 8*

We are hosting our first Young Adults and Families Fall Series: *Engaging the Chaos With the Love of Christ*, to speak directly to young singles, young married couples, and young parents about our call to hold fast to truth, walk by faith, and be light in the darkness of our world. Learn more at [perimeter.org/YADFallSeries](http://perimeter.org/YADFallSeries).

### Host A Neighborhood Food Drive

Our fall food drive kicks off October 3. One way to participate is to host a neighborhood food drive. October is the perfect time of year to invite your neighbors to provide food for families in your community. Click below to check out the starter kit and register to host a neighborhood food drive. Learn more and register at [perimeter.org/FoodDriveKit](http://perimeter.org/FoodDriveKit).

### Don't Miss Our Parent U Podcast: Coffee Talk

*Now available on iTunes and Spotify*

Jeff Summers, pastor of Student Families, and his wife, Cami, discuss the sanctifying experience of parenting through the critical teenage years. In these weekly 10-minute conversations, the Summers will examine ways to help parents connect with their kids while keeping the gospel front and center. Learn more at [perimeter.org/ParentUCoffeeTalk](http://perimeter.org/ParentUCoffeeTalk).

## Behind The Scenes

Have you ever been to a play and realized that the actors have moved into a new scene with totally new props that you didn't even notice were being set up while the action on stage was taking place? Unbeknownst to the audience, many stagehands must work quietly behind the scenes to put up the new set without distracting the spectators from what's happening on stage. When it's done well, the audience never even realizes all the frenetic activity that's going on behind the scenes.

Sometimes, it seems like God isn't doing anything. It feels like our prayers aren't being heard, and we're stuck on a treadmill not getting anywhere, but in those times of waiting, when it seems like nothing is happening, God is at work behind the scenes preparing the next stage of our lives. In John 5:17, Jesus said, "My Father is always working, and so am I," so we can rest assured that God is always up to something in the world.

There are two places in the Bible where God is silent for 400 years each time. It seems like He's not doing anything. People are suffering, and there are no patriarchs or prophets to lead them. These periods are at the start of Exodus when Israel is in captivity, and later, between the time of the prophet Malachi and the Gospel of Matthew. However, far from doing nothing, God is working behind the scenes setting the stage for two of the most monumental turning points in history. The first is the miraculous deliverance of God's people from slavery in Egypt, after which He leads them to establish their own new nation. The second is the Incarnation of Jesus Christ that came with all His powerful miracles including His crucifixion and resurrection that brought salvation to the world. Those defining moments were both worth waiting for God to bring to fruition.

Now the Canon of Scripture has been closed for nearly 2000 years. Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also" (John 14:2-3). All this time, He's been working behind the scenes preparing for His return. It'll be the greatest day ever! The Bible says we can't even imagine what God has in store for those who love Him (1 Cor. 2:9). It will definitely be well worth the wait for the Lord to work behind the scenes to finish it all and come again!

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