

## The Bush And A Calling

Moses: God's Man In A Crisis

## The Day

- 80 yr old Moses, doing what he did every day
- 40 yrs leading sheep in the desert
- God was at work and was calling Moses to join Him
- The Bush – it did not burn
- God can use any bush
- The Angel of the Jehovah appeared to him in a flame 2
- It caught Moses attention 3
- Jehovah noticed he noticed 4

## The Introduction

- Jehovah called to him
- Ex.3:4 – “Here I am.” You will know when you are talking with the Almighty
- 5 - 2 warnings
- 6 – A formal introduction
- Acts 7:30-34 – Moses trembled and dared not to look

## The Need

- 3:7,9 – Their affliction, their cry, their sufferings
- 3:8 – I have come down to deliver them from.. and to..

## The Commission

- 3:10 – I will send you
- In Egypt Moses wanted God to join him. Now, God is asking Moses to join Him in liberating the people and promises to be with him
- Though directly called by God and 40 yrs earlier felt called to deliver the Israelites, Moses plays his excuse cards.

## The Excuses

1. 11- Who am I that should go to Pharaoh?
  - I will be with you, I promise, you will come back here 12
2. 13-15 I don't know who you are
  - Tell them “I am” has sent me to you
3. 4:1-9 They won't believe me
  - I will give you signs -
4. 4:10 – I can't speak in front of people
  - I will be your mouth and teach you what to say
5. 4:13 – Please send someone else
  - I will give you a helper, your brother

## The Challenge

- Has God been trying to get your attention?
- Do you see God at work around you?
- Kingdom building starts with meeting God and being overwhelmed by His glory
- His glory will always make us feel small and inadequate
- God loves to use us in our weakness
- Good ideas are not necessarily God's idea for building the kingdom