## **Exodus: God Reveals Himself**

Exodus 3:1-22

In the midst of Moses' obscurity and failure, God appears to him on Mt. Sinai. God makes himself approachable to Moses, comforting him and assuring him of his covenant identity; yet God also reveals his holiness, declaring his name—Yahweh, "I Am Who I Am"—and commissioning Moses to lead the Israelites out of slavery.

## Application

- 1. Do you have a sense of settled identity and belonging among the people of God? Why or why not?
- 2. If you struggle with feeling that your life is meaningless or insignificant, how can Moses' lengthy wilderness experience and subsequent encounter with God encourage you?
- 3. In what ways have you seen God take the instruments of oppression in your life—sin or painful circumstances—and turn them into tools of liberation?

## **Key Points**

- Administration changes and new earthly rulers cannot provide the solutions and better life we're looking for.
- God does not act arbitrarily. He has purposes and plans, even for our suffering, and he does not explain or justify his ways to anyone.
- Moses had to stop being important in the world before God could reveal himself to him.
- The gospel means that we can rest in how broken we are because God has come and stooped to us, humbling himself and suffering oppression to identify with us.

## **Other Scripture References**

Exodus 2:23–25 Genesis 15 Galatians 4:4