

# DAY 3:

## MOSES & THE BURNING BUSH

### TODAY'S KEY VERSE FOCUS:

"In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials." - **1 Peter 1:6**.

Today we are going to read and learn about one of the most famous accounts of fire in the Bible. It's a story about Moses and a talking, burning bush! When Moses heard God's voice coming from the burning bush, he got **FIRED UP** and I bet you will too after reading about how this happened! This story is found in the second book of the Bible, Exodus. As Exodus Chapter 2 closes, the king of Egypt died and the Israelite people were slaves, weary and sad, crying out to God to save them. **Turn to Exodus 3 and let's read about what happened in verses 1-6.**

What was Moses doing when he noticed the burning bush?

It is important to notice the order in which things happened. Read **verses 2-6** carefully, then look at the summary sentences below. **Number these sentences 1-8** in the order that they happened. If you get stuck, the answers are on the next page.

- \_\_\_ Moses hid his face because he was afraid to look at God
- \_\_\_ Moses noticed the burning bush from afar, and could see that it was on fire but not burning up.
- \_\_\_ The Lord saw that Moses noticed the fire and had moved closer to see it. So God called out to Moses from the burning bush, saying, "Moses, Moses!"
- \_\_\_ The Lord appeared to Moses in a flame of fire in the middle of a burning bush.
- \_\_\_ Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight." (That means Moses decided to go closer to the burning bush to see why it wasn't burning up.)
- \_\_\_ Moses responded to God by saying, "Here I am."
- \_\_\_ God told Moses, "I am your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob."
- \_\_\_ God told Moses to take off his shoes because he was on holy ground.



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Answers: 8, 2, 4, 1, 3, 5, 7, 6

### TODAY'S APPLICATION:

Notice especially the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th thing that happened. First, Moses noticed the fire. Then he got closer to it so he could investigate it, and only after God saw that Moses had moved closer to the fire, did He speak to Moses!

Now read **Exodus 3:7- 12**.

In **verse 7**, what did God say He had seen?

What did He say He had heard?

What did He say He knew?

What did He say He would do?

What does this tell you about God?

If God sees, hears, knows, and delivers the Israelites from their hard times, He also sees, hears, and knows us and will deliver us from our hard times!

In **verse 12**, what does God promise?

What does this tell you about God?



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### TODAY'S DEVOTION:

God is in the details, friends! He puts little things in our lives every day that He wants us to notice. Often, we get so busy and caught up in our life that we forget to look around and notice these little details from God.

Imagine if Moses had been so busy tending to his sheep that he didn't look around and notice that fire. He wouldn't have moved closer to hear God speak to him!

Work on looking around you today and this week. What do you think God is wanting you to notice? Is it a pretty flower to remind you of His beautiful creation? Is it a kid your age who needs a friend? Is it a parent or grandparent who could use your help? Is it a rainbow after a storm to remind you that God will never leave you?

Peter writes in [1 Peter 1:6](#), "In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials." The Israelites suffered while they were slaves but because of God's love for them and His power to save them from their sin and hard times, they were able to rejoice!

**Prayer:** Thank God for being in the details and caring about all aspects of our lives. Thank Him when He sends us reminders that He's always close. Ask Him to help you notice the things around you that He wants you to see. Thank Him for His promise that He will always be with us and help us, even during hard times.

