

# The Story of Passover

- A. The *Bondage* in Egypt
- B. The *Birth* and **Preparation** of  
Israel's Deliverer - Moses

## C. The *Beginning* of Deliverance— The Call of Moses (Part 1)

### 1. A “*Marvelous*” Sight (3:1-6)

<sup>3</sup> Now **Moses** was pasturing the flock of **Jethro** his **father-in-law**, the **priest of Midian**; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to **Horeb**, the **mountain of God**.

<sup>2</sup> The **angel of the LORD** *appeared* to him in a **blazing fire** from the **midst** of a **bush**; and he looked, and behold, the **bush** was **burning with fire**, yet the **bush** was **not** consumed.

<sup>3</sup> So **Moses** said, “I must *turn aside* now and **see** this marvelous sight, *why* the **bush** is **not** burned up.”

<sup>4</sup> When the **LORD** *saw* that he *turned aside* to look, **God** called to him from the **midst** of the **bush** and said, “**Moses, Moses!**” And he said, “**Here I am.**” <sup>5</sup> Then **He** said,

“Do **not** come near here; **remove** your **sandals** from your feet, for the **place** on which you are standing is **holy ground.**”

<sup>6</sup> **He** said also, “**I am the God** of your father, the **God of Abraham**, the **God of Isaac**, and the **God of Jacob.**”

Then **Moses** *hid* his **face**, for he was **afraid** to look at **God**.

### 2. A *Mission* Decreed (3:7-10)

<sup>7</sup> The **LORD** said, “I have **surely seen** the **affliction** of **My people** who are in **Egypt**, and have **given heed** to their **cry** because of their **taskmasters**, for I am **aware** of their **sufferings**.

<sup>8</sup> So I have come down to deliver them from the **power** of the **Egyptians**, and to **bring them up** from that land to a **good** and **spacious land**, to a **land** flowing with **milk** and **honey**, to the place of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite.

<sup>9</sup> Now, behold, the **cry** of the **sons of Israel** has come to **Me**; furthermore, I have **seen** the **oppression** with which the **Egyptians** are **oppressing** them.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore, come now, and I will send you to **Pharaoh**,

so that **you** may **bring My people**, the **sons of Israel**, **out of Egypt**.”

### 3. A *Misgiving* Expressed (3:11-12)

<sup>11</sup> But **Moses** said to **God**, “**Who am I**, that I should go to **Pharaoh**, and that I should **bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?**”

<sup>12</sup> And **He** said, “Certainly I will be **with you**, and this shall be the **sign** to you that it is I who have **sent you**: when **you have brought** the people **out of Egypt**, you shall **worship God** at **this mountain**.”

### 4. A *Matchless Name* Revealed (3:13-15)

<sup>13</sup> Then **Moses** said to **God**, “Behold, I am going to the **sons of Israel**, and I will say to them, ‘The **God of your fathers** has **sent me** to you.’ Now they may say to me, ‘**What is His name?**’ **What shall I say to them?**”

<sup>14</sup> **God** said to **Moses**, “**I AM WHO I AM**”; and **He** said, “Thus you shall say to the **sons of Israel**, ‘**I AM** has **sent me** to you.’”

<sup>15</sup> **God**, furthermore, said to **Moses**,  
“Thus you shall say to the **sons of Israel**,  
‘**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**, and this is **My memorial-name** to all generations.

### 5. A *Miraculous Deliverance* Predicted (3:16-22)

<sup>16</sup> **Go** and gather the **elders of Israel** together and say to them, ‘**The LORD**, the **God of your fathers**, the **God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob**, has **appeared to me**, saying, “I am indeed **concerned about you** and what has been **done** to you in **Egypt**.”

<sup>17</sup> So I said, I will **bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt** to the land of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite, to a **land flowing with milk and honey**.”

<sup>18</sup> They will **pay heed** to what **you say**, and **you** with the **elders of Israel** will come to the **king of Egypt** and you will say to him, ‘**The LORD**, the **God of the Hebrews**, has **met with us**. So now, please, **let us go** a three days’ journey into the **wilderness**, that we may **sacrifice** to the **LORD our God**.’

<sup>19</sup> But I know that the **king of Egypt** will **not** permit you to go, except under **compulsion**. <sup>20</sup> So I will stretch out **My hand** and **strike Egypt** with **all My miracles** which I shall do in the midst of it; and **after that** he will **let you go**.

<sup>21</sup> I will grant this people **favor** in the sight of the **Egyptians**; and it shall be that when you go, you will **not** go **empty-handed**.

<sup>22</sup> But every woman shall ask of her **neighbor** and the woman who lives

in her house, articles of **silver** and articles of **gold**, and **clothing**;  
and you will put them on **your sons** and **daughters**.  
Thus you will **plunder the Egyptians**.”

## Summary Observations → Exodus Chapter 3 gives us “**Glimpses**” of the *Nature* and *Character* of **God**

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ **God**

The **angel of the LORD** *appeared* to him (**Moses**) in a **blazing fire** from  
the **midst** of a **bush**; and he looked, and behold,  
the **bush** was **burning with fire**, yet the **bush** was **not** consumed. (Ex. 3:2)

2. A \_\_\_\_\_ **God**

Then **He (the LORD)** said, “Do **not** come **near here**; remove your **sandals**,  
for the **place** on which you are standing is **holy ground** (Ex. 3:5)

3. An \_\_\_\_\_ **God**

“I have surely **seen** the **affliction** of **my people** who are in Egypt,  
and have given **heed** to their **cry**...for I **am aware** of their **sufferings**.” (Ex. 3:7)

4. A \_\_\_\_\_ **God**

So I have come down to **deliver them (My people)**... (Ex 3:8a)

But **Moses** said to **God**, “Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh,...  
And **He (God)** said, “Certainly **I will be with you**,...” (Ex. 3:11-12b)

5. A **God** who is a \_\_\_\_\_,  
**Being**

Now they (the **sons of Israel**) may say,  
‘**What is His name?**’ What shall I (**Moses**) say to them?”

**God** said to **Moses**, “**I AM WHO I AM**”;  
And **He** said, “Thus you shall say to the **sons of Israel**,  
‘**I AM** has **sent me** to you.’” (Ex. 3:13b-14)

6. A \_\_\_\_\_ **God**

“Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them,  
‘**The LORD**, the **God** of your **fathers** ,...has **appeared to me**, saying,  
“**I am indeed concerned about you** and what has been **done to you in Egypt**.”’  
(Ex. 3:16)

7. An \_\_\_\_\_ God

“But I know that the **king of Egypt** will not permit you to go,  
except under **compulsion**.

So I will **stretch My hand** and **strike Egypt** with all **My miracles**  
which I will do in the midst of it; and after that he will **let you go.**” (Ex. 3:19-20)

## Closing Commentary

The **God of Israel {YHVH}**, has revealed to us  
*another* important **personal name**, the name  
of **His Son, Jesus the Messiah**

A. A *Name* that was **named** while **in the womb** of **His mother**

Listen to Me, O islands, and pay attention, you peoples from afar.

The **LORD** called **Me** from the **womb**;  
from the **body** of **My mother** **He named Me**.  
(Isaiah 49:1)

The **angel (Gabriel)** said to her (**Miriam**),...

“And behold you will **conceive in your womb** and **bear a son**,  
and you will **name Him Jesus (Yeshua)** (Luke 1:30a, 31)

B. A *Name* by which **we** receive **Salvation**

“And there is **salvation** in **no one else**; for there is **no other name** under heaven  
that has been given among men by which we must **be saved.**” (Acts 4:12)  
(see also Acts 10:42-43, Rom. 10:9-10)

C. A *Name* by which **we** become **children of God**

But as many as **received Him**, to them He gave **the right** to become  
**children of God**, *even* to those who **believe in His name**,  
(John 1:12-13)

D. A *Name* that is **central** in our *life* and *walk with God*  
→our **words**—our **deeds**—our **prayers**

Whatever **you do** in **word** or **deed**, do all in **the name** of the **Lord Jesus**,  
**giving thanks through Him to God the Father**  
(Colossians 3:17)  
(see also John 14:13-14, 16:23-24, Eph. 5:20)

E. A *Name* that has been **exalted** “**above every name**”

Therefore also **God highly exalted Him (Jesus)**, and **bestowed on Him**  
**the name** which is **above every name**, (Philippians 2:9)

F. A *Name* that **glorifies** God the Father, the God of Israel

...so that at the **name of Jesus** EVERY KNEE WILL BOW,  
of those who are in *heaven* and on *earth* and *under the earth*,  
and every tongue will **confess** that **Jesus the Messiah is Lord**,  
to the **glory of God the Father**. (Philippians 2:10-11)

G. A *Name* by which we receive **revilement** and **glory**

If you are **reviled** for the **name** of Messiah, you are **blessed**,  
because the **Spirit of glory** and of **God** rests on you.  
(I Peter 4:14)