

Series: Names of God
Sermon: Yahweh: The God Who Is
Speaker: Live at each campus

Daily Readings

Monday: Exodus 3
Tuesday: Exodus 34:1-14
Wednesday: John 1:1-18
Thursday: Isaiah 45:18-25
Friday: Genesis 32:22-32
Saturday: John 8:31-59

Discussion Questions

1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message. *Note: This series is preached live at each campus. If members of your group attend different campuses, be sure to give a 2 minute overview of the message shared at your campus.*
2. Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
3. Read Exodus 3:1-6. Moses was doing ordinary work (tending sheep) when God interrupted him. What does verse 4 tell us about who moved first, Moses toward God or God toward Him? Why does it matter that the Bible is the story of God finding people, not just people finding God?
4. Read Exodus 3:13-15. When Moses asks for God's name, God answers, "I AM WHO I AM." What do you think this name communicates about who God is? How is a name like this different from a name that simply labels someone?
5. Read John 8:54-59. Why did the religious leaders pick up stones after Jesus said, "Before Abraham was, I AM"? What was Jesus claiming about Himself, and why was it so offensive to them?
6. Read Exodus 34:5-7. When God reveals His glory to Moses, what are the very first words He uses to describe Himself? Why might it matter that compassion and grace come before power or judgment in this description? Is "compassionate, gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness" the first picture that comes to mind when you think of God? If not, what experiences or ideas have shaped a different picture, and how does Exodus 34 correct it?
7. If Jesus really is Yahweh, what part of your life still belongs to you instead of Him?" Read Romans 12:1-2. What is one specific area - finances, relationships, future, control - where you sense God inviting you to move Jesus from "helper" to "Lord" this week?
8. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

1. Scripture Memorization: memorize Exodus 3:14 this week. Send each other messages this week to remind each other to study this Scripture and encourage each other in your memorization.
2. Identity reflection: spend time journaling a reflection and prayer. Consider these prompts:
 - The name of God we studied this week is Yahweh. What's the meaning behind your own name?
 - What identity have you been living out of this year? Is it an identity rooted in being known by God?
 - Reflect on Isaiah 43:1: "I have called you by name; you are mine." Close in prayer.