



## *God Steps Out Of The Shadows*

Exodus 3:1-10

#3 in a series on Exodus

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Theme: **God Recruits And Assigns His Workers.**

### **God Takes The Initiative.**

1. He comes to us. (1-4)
2. He gets our attention. (2-4)

### **God Specifies The Requirements.**

1. He is in control. (4-6)
2. He sets the standards. (4-6)

### **God Selects Our Assignments.**

1. He determines the priorities. (7-9)
2. He defines the job description. (10)

## In My Life This Week

*(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)*

**Monday.** Read Exodus 3:1-10 trying, as best as you can, to be there with Moses, seeing, hearing this for the first time as it happened. We don't know what Moses' day was like up to that point, nor exactly where he was in his relationship with God that day. Whatever the situation, without warning God appeared and radically changed Moses' course for the rest of his life. Would you be willing to turn aside, listen to and follow God if He called you to a radical, life-course-altering change today?

**Tuesday.** The unifying truth for these verses we looked at on Sunday was that God recruits and assigns His workers. In this process it is God who takes the initiative. He comes to us and prompts, speaks and shows us enough to get our attention. To be sure, we have not had God appear and speak to us from a fire in a bush. But as you think of God taking the initiative with Moses (verses 1-4), think back over the day so far, the last few days, the last few weeks. Can you see times when God quietly and gently prompted you or even loudly and clearly called you to do something for Him? Thank Him that He wants you in His service. Don't become so busy, so focused on the many important things of this world that you miss the most important things, God's call to be part of His work for eternity.

**Wednesday.** As we serve God we need to remember that He specifies the requirements for our service. To serve Him we must acknowledge that He is in control. Read verses 4-6 noting the ways in which God was in control and demonstrated His control to Moses.

God also sets the standards for serving Him. Holiness is one of His standards. What does it mean when we say God is holy? How can we be, how are we to be holy? Have you been acknowledging God's control over you so far this week? Can you describe your thoughts, speech and actions as holy?

**Thursday.** God takes the initiative in enlisting us in His service. He specifies the requirements. He also selects our assignments. On Sunday we said that verses 7-9 show God's priorities for His people, including Moses, at that time. Read these verses slowly, catching the heart of God, not just the facts.

God sets out the priorities and defines our job descriptions. His job description for Moses was brief (verse 10), but guided him for the rest of his life, the next forty years! Do you sometimes doubt or question God's directions for you? Remember that He loves you, His knowledge of everything is perfect, and His wisdom and power is more than adequate for you. Trust Him. Embrace His priorities and assignments.

**Friday/Saturday.** On Sunday we plan to move through the rest of chapter three and on to the end of chapter four. Read this section as you prepare yourself for our time together, and pray for Pastor Tyler as he prepares to speak.