Pastor's Bible Study November 9, 2025

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 27





Read Exodus 3:1-15

- 1. Scan the narrative in Exodus 2. Describe the actions that lead up to Moses "keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro" in Exodus 3:1.
- 2. In verse 1, Mount Horeb is referred to as the "mountain of God." What is another name for this mountain? See Exodus 19:11.

- 3. "The angel of the Lord" is a phrase used throughout the Old Testament to refer to the Angel who is God. Read John 1:18 to better understand the identity of the Angel of the Lord. How does this understanding change the way you think about the account of the burning bush?
- 4. How does Moses acknowledge the presence of God? See verse 6.
- 5. What plan does God reveal to Moses in verses 7-10? And how does Moses respond?
- 6. What does the name "I AM WHO I AM" tell us about God?

Read Luke 20:27-40

- 7. In verse 27, we are introduced to the Sadducees. What important information does Luke disclose about this group of Jewish leaders?
- 8. What does their belief (or unbelief) about the resurrection tell us about their question?
- 9. What important information does Jesus reveal about "that age and...the resurrection from the dead?"
- 10. The Sadducees held to the Law of Moses and the Oral Law. How does Jesus use the story of God's appearance to Moses in the burning bush to refute their false teaching about the resurrection?
- 11. How does this revelation change the way you hear the Lord's name in Exodus 3:14?

Devotional Thought (The Lutheran Study Bible)

Jesus demonstrates that the Lord is the God of the living. The patriarchs, though dead from an earthly perspective, are still alive with God. Our human reason dare not come between us and God's sure promises. Jesus's certain resurrection shows that He is our living God and hope of life" (The Lutheran Study Bible, 1759).

Closing Prayer

Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen (Collect for Proper 27).