

LENT 2024

JOURNEY to FREEDOM

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH

READ: Exodus 20:1-17

***'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
out of the house of slavery.'***

Exodus 20:2

As we journey through the season of Lent, we are reminded of God's incredible self-revelation to the Israelites in Exodus 20. In verse 2, God declares, 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.' These words are not just a simple introduction or a statement of authority; they are a powerful proclamation of God's identity and relationship with His people.

In this declaration, God reveals Himself as the Eternal Sovereign who rules all creation. He is the Lord, the one in control and has the power to bring about deliverance and freedom. Not only is He the ruler of all, but He is also the Creator who brought everything into existence. He is the source of life and sustains us each day.

God makes Himself known as the Redeemer—the one who rescued the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. This act of redemption was not just a historical event but a foreshadowing of the ultimate act of redemption through Jesus Christ. Just as God delivered His people from physical bondage, He offers us deliverance from the bondage of sin and death.

During this Lenten season, as we reflect on God's self-revelation, we are reminded of the incredible love and grace He has shown us. He is our Eternal Sovereign, Creator, and Redeemer. As His children, we are called to respond to this revelation with gratitude, obedience, and trust.

In the face of temptations and struggles, remember who our God is. He is the one who delivered us from the land of slavery, from the chains of sin and death. This truth may always remind us to turn away from the things that entangle us and seek a closer relationship with Him.

Let us make some time to meditate on God's powerful self-declaration and respond to His self-revelation by surrendering ourselves to Him and offering our lives to be a living testament to the transformation and freedom found only in Him as we draw closer to the LORD our God, our Eternal Sovereign, Creator, and Redeemer.

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