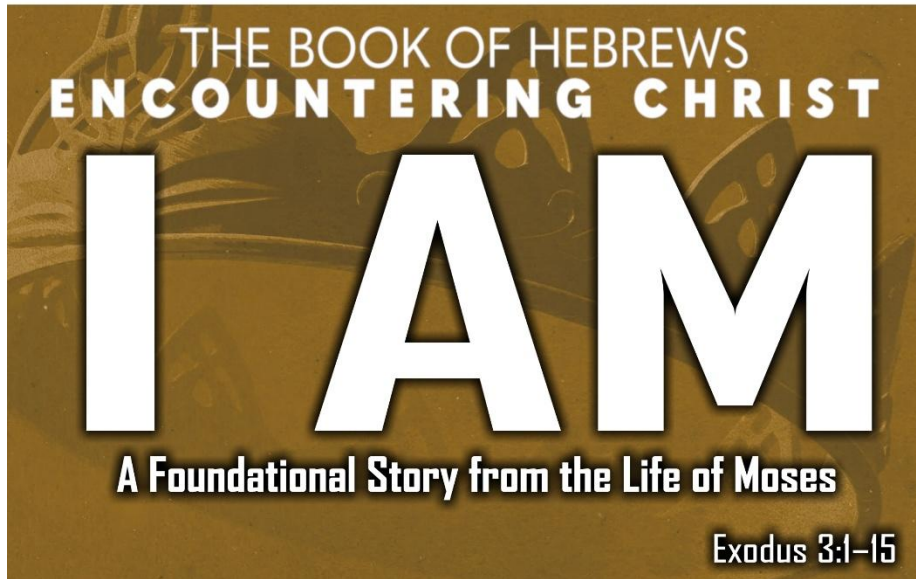




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IN SOME PLACES, GOD'S WORD IS UNDERLINED WITH DOTS WITH PASTOR JOE'S COMMENTARY IN THE BRACKETED, LIGHTER FACED TEXT.

A. Let's Meet Moses

1. Born under a death sentence, raised in a palace, Moses entered the world as both a target and a miracle.
2. He fled Egypt as a fugitive, only to find his true calling in the quiet blaze of a desert bush. There, He heard Holy God's personal name, "I AM!"
3. He was a reluctant shepherd that became the voice of God to the most powerful empire on earth.
4. With a staff in his hand and fear in his chest, he confronted Pharaoh and shattered Egypt's pride.
5. He led slaves through a Red Sea that split open like a doorway God carved with His breath.
6. On Sinai's summit, Moses received words that would shape nations long after empires fell.
7. He carried a complaining people through wilderness for years, becoming a literal pastor to the stubborn and the scared.
8. Moses saw God's glory in a cleft of rock, a glimpse that changed him and his future.
9. He built a tabernacle where heaven came to earth and God dwelled among His own.
10. He died on a mountain overlooking the promise land he prepared others to enter, finishing faithful even without crossing the finish line.

B. Moses Meets The Great "I AM"

1. Word Study on the Name "I AM:"

Hebrew word is יהוה. It is pronounced ya-way.

Yahweh is not a title like "God" (Elohim) or "Lord" (Adonai). It is God's personal name, used nearly 7,000 times in Scripture. It speaks to who God is.

After the Babylonian exile, Jews considered the name **Yahweh** too holy to speak aloud. They substituted: Heb. הַשֵּׁם, pronounced, *Ha-Shem*, lit. **"The Name!"**

This reverence eventually led to the hybrid form **Jehovah**, (which combined the Hebrew consonants of Yahweh (LORD) with Hebrew vowels of Adonai (Lord), so **Jehovah** in Hebrew is יהוה pronounced, *Yah-HŌV-āh*), though **Yahweh** is the most widely accepted scholarly pronunciation today.

Yahweh is the highest name for Holy God.

2. What the Name "I AM" means:

Aseity—a Latin word which refers to the self-existence, self-sufficiency, and independence of God, meaning He exists and operates entirely from Himself without dependence on anything or anyone else. Put simply, Holy God—the Great "I AM"—means God depends on no one and nothing. He is the source of everything, everywhere forever. Holy God is completely sovereign.

"I AM" means God is present, sufficient, faithful, sovereign, eternal, active, relational, assuring, unchanging, and hopeful — the God who alone is everything His people could possibly need.

3. "I AM" in short:

It's not about who you are; it's about who He is.

Holy God is the Great "I AM!"

"Yahweh is 'the breath of life'—it's the first and last name you will breathe." - Jewish Talmud