

Title: The Great "I AM" Who Reveals & Speaks To Us

Main Text: Exodus 3:2-15

Supporting Texts: 2 Timothy 3:16-17, 1 Corinthians 14:37-38, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Luke 16:27-31

Main Point: God's name is YHWH "I AM WHO I AM" and this God has made Himself knowable, and desires to be in relationship with us, & thus He speaks to us.

Main Questions Addressed: What does God mean by His Name "I AM WHO I AM"?
How does God speak to us/How can I hear from God?

God's, YHWH "Yahweh", name speaks of Himself as: Self-Existent/Self-Sufficient, Unchanging, Relational, Eternal.

It is the covenant name of God to the people of Israel

*Because God is a relational God He reveals Himself to us and speaks to us just as He has to Moses.

So how can I hear God's voice? How does He speak to us?

- 1.) God speaks primarily through His Word & secondarily however He chooses
 - Can God speak audibly to us? A:Yes
 - Can God speak through dreams, vision, & other miraculous means? A:Yes
 - But God **always** speaks through His Word

2.) You **do not need** a voice or miracle to hear from God

Paul talks about the nature of Scripture in 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Paul talks about the authority of "what he has written" as God's own commands

2 Corinthians 14:37-38

- If what you think you hear from God contradicts what is written in His Word, you are deceived.

Peter agrees with Paul and teaches that Scripture is superior to experience.

Scripture > Experience, because Scripture is more certain and more sure.

2 Peter:16-21

3.) God's Word is permanent, unchanging, complete, & more authoritative than an experience

4.) You **do not need** an audible voice to know what God has and is speaking

5.) Do not be like the Jews who were always seeking a "sign", because you are unwilling to read, trust, and obey what God has already said in His Word.

Luke 16:27-31

Closing Recap: God's name is YHWH and He is Self-existent, Unchanging, Relational, & Eternal and this God speaks to Us primarily through His Word and secondarily, through other means.