

I. A Divine Interruption (1-4)

A. Moses’ duty (1) - “Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.”

B. Moses’ distraction (2) - “And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed.”

**C. Moses’ determination (3) - “Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.”
Moses left room in the midst of his “have-to’s” for the “might-be’s”**

**D. Moses’ discovery (4) - “When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, Moses, Moses!...”
God’s calling says 2 things: “I know who you are” and “I know where you are”**

II. A Devout Introduction (5-6)

**A. Meet the God of Holiness (5) - “Then He said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.”
1st time the word ‘holy’ is used in the Bible; it is when man tries to approach God**

B. Meet the God of Hope (6a) - “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.”

C. Meet the God of Humbling (6b) - “And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.”

III. A Determined Intervention (7-8)

A. What God had discerned (7) - “Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings...”

B. What God had determined (8) - “I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey...”

IV. A Delicate Initiation (9-12)

A. Moses, receive my passion (9) - “And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.”

B. Moses, recall my commission (10-11) - “Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” 11 But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”

C. Moses, rejoice in my affirmation (12) - 12 He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when {not if!} you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”