



# Welcome!

**SERIES: I'M A NAMEDROPPER**

**Today's Message: JEHOVAH: Balking at the Bush**

**Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor**

**PRAYER:** God of Relationship and Love, we give you praise for your mercy and grace. Today, we lift up your name Jehovah. We are reminded that you are not only the God who creates, you are the God who relates. Extend yourself to us, and then extend yourself through us, so that we might love others in your name. Thank you for always blessing us no matter what. In the comforting, challenging, charismatic name that is above every name, in the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

**ICEBREAKER:** What stands out as a place, time, or person where you noticed God in your week?

**INTRODUCTION:** Moses' parents saved his life when his mother placed him in the reeds by the river hoping that someone would find him and protect from Pharaoh's order to kill all the Hebrew baby boys. Moses was discovered, protected, and nurtured by Pharaoh's daughter. Raised as royalty, he stepped in to stop an injustice against one of the Hebrews, and the altercation resulted in a murder. Fleeing from the scene, he left Egypt for Midian where he met his wife and had a son. One ordinary day, he sees an extraordinary sight which becomes the platform for his life assignment. However, when God gives him his orders—he balks. What about us? How do/will we respond?

**SCRIPTURE:** Read Exodus 3:7-15 (NCV)

## **DISCUSSION:**

1. What stood out in today's message? What's one thing you learned? What questions came to mind as you listened to the message today? What points did you find most insightful? How did the message challenge you?
2. Feeling inadequate, Moses balks at God's assignment given at the burning bush. Describe a time where you held up the false banner of "inadequate" when it came to the call of God? Describe a time where you didn't feel like you had what it took.
3. Given what you know about the background to Moses's story—how would you feel if you were Moses at the burning bush? Pastor Watson described the burning bush as something extraordinary happening in the ordinary." Has God ever gotten your attention by permitting something extraordinary to happen in your ordinary?
4. Moses has 4 hesitations – Who am I? (3:11) / Who are you God? (3:14) / What about those people? (4:1) / What about my issue? (4:10) – Which one of these can you identify with the most when it comes to the call of God on your life?

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5. How should the name of God "I AM" bring us comfort in our inadequacy? In what area of your life do you need to trust the full adequacy of God? How can others in this group pray for you in this regard?

**CHALLENGE:** What is one "a-ha" moment you had in our group discussion today. Note it and write it down. If you applied your learning from this week's message, how would the next week be different for you?

**SERVE:** How is God calling us to live out this message this week? As individuals? As a group?

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at [myspbc.org](http://myspbc.org). You can also connect with us on social media at [facebook.com/myspbc](https://facebook.com/myspbc), [instagram.com/myspbc](https://instagram.com/myspbc) and [twitter.com/MySPBC\\_online](https://twitter.com/MySPBC_online). Turn on your notifications.

**CELEBRATIONS:** Take this time to share praise reports (e.g., answered prayers, birthdays, anniversaries, promotions).

**PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAYER:** Take this time to share prayer requests. Close with prayer.

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**FOR COUNSELING:**

CALL: 804.643.6177

EMAIL: [Barnabas@myspbc.org](mailto:Barnabas@myspbc.org)

**TO REQUEST A HOSPITAL VISIT:**

CALL: 804.304.3890 (For Emergencies)

EMAIL: [ecare@myspbc.org](mailto:ecare@myspbc.org).

**TO REQUEST FUNERAL SUPPORT:**

CALL: 804.304.3890 (Pastor On Call)

EMAIL: [ecare@myspbc.org](mailto:ecare@myspbc.org).

**TO FIND A SUPPORT GROUP:**

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EMAIL: [Barnabas@myspbc.org](mailto:Barnabas@myspbc.org).

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