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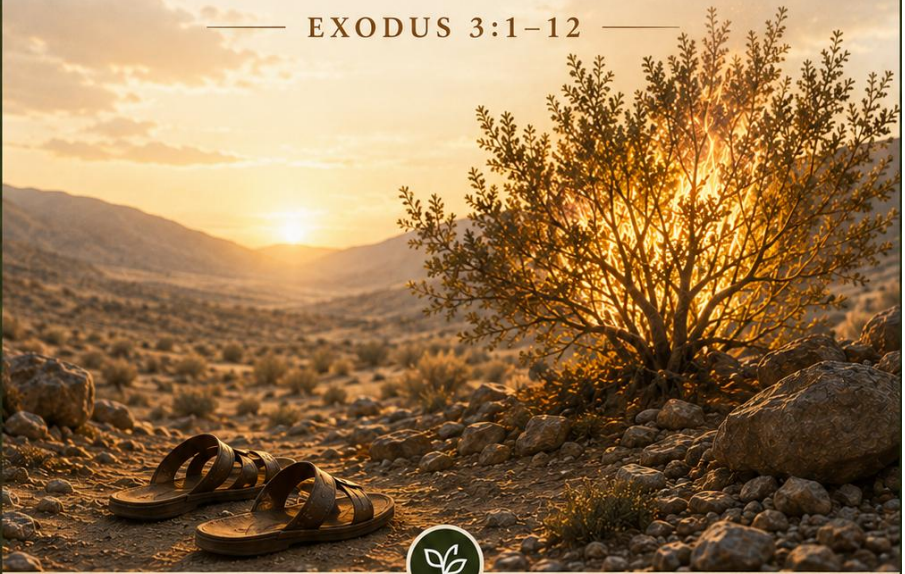
—◇ FROM SLAVERY TO PRESENCE ◇—

THE GOD

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PRESENT

— EXODUS 3:1-12 —



JOURNEY GUIDE

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FORMATION GOAL:

Becoming attentive to God's presence

FROM SLAVERY TO PRESENCE

Week 3: The God Who Is Present

Exodus 3:1-12

Formation Goal: Becoming attentive to God's presence.

Opening Reflection

Moses was not searching for God when he encountered the burning bush. He was simply tending sheep in the wilderness. Yet in the midst of an ordinary day, he noticed something unusual, turned aside to look, and discovered that God had been present all along.

The invitation of Exodus 3 is not merely to admire Moses' experience but to cultivate the same attentiveness in our own lives. God still meets people in ordinary places. The question is whether we will slow down, pay attention, and respond to His invitations.



NOTICE

Notice God's presence in the ordinary.

Moses was not searching for a spiritual experience. He was tending sheep when he noticed something unusual. God was already present. The invitation was to pay attention.

Personal Reflection

Write: Where in my ordinary life might God already be present and at work?

In Community

- How did last week's practice go?
- What burden did you bring honestly before God?
- What did you learn about yourself or about God?
- Where have you seen evidence of God's presence this week?

LISTEN

Listen for God's invitations.

When Moses turned aside to look, God spoke. The burning bush became a place of encounter.

For many of us, Scripture is like a burning bush sitting on a shelf, coffee table, or nightstand. God still speaks. The question is whether we will slow down, turn aside, and pay attention.

Personal Reflection

As you read Exodus 3:1–12, what is God inviting you to notice?

In Community

- What stands out to you in this passage?
- Why do you think Moses noticed the bush?
- What do you learn about God from this encounter?
- Have you ever experienced God meeting you in an unexpected or ordinary moment?

RESPOND

Take one step of obedience.

God's invitations are not merely to understand but to respond. Like Moses, we are invited to take one faithful step.

Possible Ways to Practice

- Prayer
- Five Minutes of Silence
- Journaling
- Read a passage of Scripture and ask, “What is God inviting me to notice?”
- Pause during a routine task and notice God's presence.
- At lunch, review the morning and notice what you missed.
- Take a slow walk and pay attention to God's creation.
- Give one person your full attention.
- Create your own faithful step.

My Next Faithful Step

This week, I will pay attention to God's presence by:

In Community

- Which practice are you planning to try this week?
- When and where will you do it?
- How can we pray for or encourage one another this week?

Prayer

Lord, help me notice Your presence in the ordinary moments of life. Give me eyes to see, ears to hear, and the courage to respond to Your invitations. Teach me to slow down, pay attention, and walk with You each day. Amen.

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