



Growth Group discussion questions for Exodus 3

Week of April 22-25, 2018

1. NCC Q33: Should those who have faith in Christ seek their salvation through their own works, or anywhere else?

A: No, they should not, as everything necessary to salvation is found in Christ. To seek salvation through good works is a denial that Christ is the only Redeemer and Savior.

Memorize, meditate on and be ready to recite **Galatians 2:16**.

2. What principles or thoughts had the most impact on you from the message on this passage on Sunday, April 22nd? How were you specifically challenged? What points of application did you take away from the message?
3. Read Exodus chapter 3 at least twice, also Acts 7:30-34.
4. Moses has a profound experience at “the mountain of God” at Horeb (also known as Mt. Sinai). What might indicate that the one Moses encountered was not an ordinary angel (3:1-6)?
5. Why do you think Moses would hide and face and be “afraid to look at God?”
(See also Ex. 19:16-20, 20:18-21; Isaiah 6:1-6)
6. Imagine yourself in Moses’ sandals, in the very presence of God Himself.
 - a) How do you think you would feel and react? Many Christians today come into the presence of God in prayer and worship in a decidedly casual, unthinking, or even flippant manner. Why do you think this would be? Do you think this is ever true of you? Why? (consider Heb. 4:14-16, 12:28-29)
 - b) How can you grow in awe and reverence of God? (e.g. Psalm 130:3-4, 135: 5-6, 145:4-7)

7. What do you learn about the nature, character, and heart of God in 3:7-10? How is this an encouragement to you?

8. Why do you think Moses reacted the way he did in 3:11? What crucial fact was Moses forgetting? (See also 4:1, 10-17) Have you ever felt this way when considering ministry involvement? Explain. What do we need to remember (2 Cor. 4:7)?

9. What can you learn about whom God can use to do significant things for his great kingdom purposes? (See Acts 4:13, Ps. 119:97-100) What other examples have you seen in Scripture of God using reluctant leaders? (Judges 6:11-16, 1 Sam. 10:17-24, others?)

10. How did God graciously work to persuade Moses that he would not be alone in his great undertaking for God? (3:12, 15-16; 4:2-17)

11. When Moses asked God his name, God replied, "I AM WHO I AM" (3:14-15).
 - a) What did this name say to the Israelites (and to us) about God?

 - b) Jesus used this same name in reference to himself in John 8:58. Why would this provoke the Jews to threaten to stone Jesus to death? What was the significance of Jesus' very intentional statement?

12. Bonus: In Matthew 22:32 Jesus quotes from Exodus 3:6. What point was Jesus making to the Sadducees?

PRAY IN THE GROUP

- Pray for those going to Houston for the Hurricane Harvey Relief mission trip. Pray for their safety and for God to use them to show the love of Christ and to be fruitful in sharing the gospel.