

Things God Does Not Know

3 - God Knows No Sin He Can't Forgive and No Life He Can't Rebuild

Exodus 3: 1-14 / Luke 19:1-10

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The pain of the mind is worse than the pain of the body.
--Publilius Syrus

Because of God's character, He reaches, redeems and rebuilds lives that seemingly are beyond repair.

Believers soon find themselves believing that by simply trying harder, they become more Christ-like. Problem; it does not work.

Exodus 3: 1-14

- God Calls
- God gives His objective
- God answers questions

Two Ultimate Questions & Three Decisive Answers

1. Who Am I?

Exodus 3:11-12

¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹² And He said, "Certainly I will be with you, and this shall be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God at this mountain."

God gives Moses the first glimpse of God's relationship with him and God's people.

Hebrews 13:5

"...I will never leave you, nor will I ever forsake you".

Unlike all other religions, the promise of God because of the grace extended to us in the death and resurrection of his Son is that there is forgiveness, cleansing and sure confidence in who we are as believers.

You may not feel important to anyone else, but according to God's word, you are vitally important to God. Bought with the blood of Christ, destined for the throne. You are made right, not because of you, but because of Him.

2. Who is God?

Exodus 3:13-14 ¹³ Then Moses said to God, “Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you.’ Now they may say to me, ‘What is His name?’ What shall I say to them?” ¹⁴ God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM”

God is in essence is saying “I will never fail to be exactly what I am – what you need and ALL that you need.”

Romans 8: 37-39 “But in all things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

This is possible because Christ paid the price for what paralyzes you, namely YOU.

The Bible requires that we make one painfully humbling admission—the one confession we work so hard to avoid: *that our deepest, most pervasive, and most abiding problem is us!*
-- Paul Tripp, *Lost in the Middle*

You know you have heard the gospel of grace when your initial reaction is, “Wait a minute, that’s too radical...that can’t be right.”
--Tullian Tchividjian

3. What is God’s purpose for my life?

Exodus 3:12 ¹² And He said, “Certainly I will be with you, and this shall be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall *worship* God at this mountain.”

Moses and the people of God were designed for one ultimate thing...worship! It flows not only out of what God had done to deliver them there, but what He would do going forward. Worship would flow from the promise...grace for your now, grace for your future.

Sometimes the biggest heresy in our life is diminishing how deep and wide the mercy and grace is because of the cross...we believe God is a scorekeeper and is constantly moving the yardstick of performance. The cross removes any doubt; God is for you. He can still use you!

You will either live making excuses or you will live forgiven by God’s grace for new purpose, but you can’t do both.