

GOD OF THE IMPOSSIBLE

The Story of Scripture, part 6

Exodus 2:23 - 3:22, ESV

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GENESIS 21:1

“The Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did to Sarah as he had promised.”

GENESIS 15:13 - 14

“Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions.”

EXODUS 2:23 - 25

“During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. God saw the people of Israel – and God knew.”

GOD SEES HIS PEOPLE SUFFERING IN A WORLD OF SIN.

He hears our cries and He knows our needs.

THE GOD WHO SEES IS THE GOD WHO SAVES.

EXODUS 3:1 - 9

“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. 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. And Moses said, ‘I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.’ When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, ‘Moses, Moses!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ Then he said, ‘Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.’ And he said, ‘I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. 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, and 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, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 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.’”

EXODUS 6:5

“Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant.”



EXODUS 6:6 – 8

“Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord.’”

He liberates . . . He adopts . . . and He provides.

EXODUS 3:14 - 15

“God said to Moses, ‘I am who I am.’ And he said, ‘Say this to the people of Israel: “I am has sent me to you.” God also said to Moses, ‘Say this to the people of Israel: “The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.” This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.’”

The steadfast confession in the Old Testament: God is the Lord.

JOHN 8:58

“Jesus said to them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.’”

The stunning realization in the New Testament: Jesus is the Lord!

ROMANS 10:9 – 10

“. . . because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.”

THE GOD WHO SAVES IS THE GOD WHO SENDS.

EXODUS 3:10

“Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”



EXODUS 3:11

“But Moses said to God, ‘Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?’”

God calls weak people to accomplish world-revolutionizing purposes.

THE GOD WHO SENDS IS THE GOD WHO SUPPLIES.

The life God calls you to live is impossible by yourself.

The life God calls you to live is absolutely possible by the power of God’s presence with you . . . or better put, by the power of God’s Spirit in you.

IN YOUR HEAD

Believe all that God says . . . about who you are: a sinner personally loved by God and constantly in need of grace.

Believe all that God says . . . about who He is: the self-existent, self-sufficient, ever-lasting, never-changing, all-powerful, always-faithful God who is with you, for you, and in you.

IN YOUR HEART

Desire all that God desires . . . for your life.

Desire all that God desires . . . in this world.

WITH YOUR HANDS

Do all that God calls you to do . . . in total dependence on all God has promised He will do.

