

Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

“The Great ‘I AM’” – Exodus 3:10-15

I. Introduction.

A. Fascination of today’s media with the idea of coming face to face with God.

1. T.V., movies, etc.

B. Scripture portrays it as a far more frightening encounter.

1. Luke 8:22-25; 5:4-8; Isaiah 6:1-10
2. R. C. Sproul

C. Moses’ encounter was to be done very carefully.

1. Exodus 3:5; 3:66
2. Humility.

D. Today’s text – Exodus 3:10-15

II. Exposition.

A. Verse 10.

1. “I will send”
 - a. The paradox of God’s sovereign purposes.
 - b. Moses had tried deliverance before and failed.
 - c. MacKay.

B. Verses 11-12.

1. Moses raises four sets of problems in chapters 3 and 4.
 - a. 3:11 – “Who am I that I should go?”
 - b. 3:13 – “What is your name?”
 - c. 4:1 – “What if they will not believe me?”
 - d. 4:10 – “I am slow of speech.”

1. MacKay.

2. “Who am I that I should go?”

- a. Quite a change since the Prince of Egypt days.
- b. God will be with him, verse 12.
- c. Similar to us – Matthew 28:20b.
- d. Calvin.

C. Verses 13-14

1. God’s name given as a verb.
2. Hebrew is Yahweh – derived from the verb “to be.”
3. Signifies His self-existence.
 - a. An argument for the existence of God is present.
 1. Hebrews 1:2b.
 2. Colossians 1:16-17.
4. The “I AM” of the Old Testament equates to the deity of Christ.
 - a. Currid.
 - b. Note Jesus’ remarks about Himself – John 8:53, 56-59.

D. Verse 15.

1. God repeats His name but adds further detail so no confusion exists about His personage.

III. Points for Reflection.

- A. God’s sovereignty never precludes His use of finite human beings.
- B. Both pride in self or timidity due to lack of confidence can both lead to failure in placing trust in God.
- C. The great and holy “I AM” is still calling.