

# God wants us to know more than just his name.

Foundations - Part 5 Noah Largent 10/13/19



## Exodus 3:1-15

### #1 God revealed in the tangible:

Tim Keller points out one of God's attributes on display in Exodus chapter 3. Keller says, "Fire is dependent on fuel. As long as there's fuel there can be fire, but when there's no more combustible fuel the fire goes out. This fire is not dependent on fuel. **This fire is not dependent on anything.**"

The fire illustrates what we call God's attribute of self-sufficiency.

### #2 God revealed through His name:

Names in the ancient world were more than just a title to distinguish one from another. They were used to inform others about key qualities or character traits. So what is God revealing to Moses about himself through his name?

After watching John's video, it's worth asking, "what kind of name have I earned with others?"

Paul says, "This is a creator God. This is a God who's not dependent on anything, but everything is dependent on him and this is the same God who wants a relationship with you." -From Pastor Dan's notes last week: "How does belief work?" -Oct. 6th, 2019

### #2 God revealed through His names (continued):

JEHOVAH-JIREH: "The Lord Will Provide" (Gen 22:14)

JEHOVAH-RA'AH: "The Lord Our Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1)

JEHOVAH-NISSI: "The Lord Our Banner" (Exodus 17:15)

EL ROI: "God Who Sees" (Genesis 16:13)

JEHOVAH-RAPHA: "The Lord Who Heals" (Ex. 15:26)

### #3 God's personal testimony:

Exodus 34:5-7 Then the Lord came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the Lord. <sup>6</sup> And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin.

CONFIRMED BY: Jonah 4:2!

Moses wonders how can he be the solution to God's saving plan? "Who am I?" In other words, who is the "I" that is going to be doing the saving, Moses or Yahweh? Moses' assertion that he cannot do this task is correct but entirely beside the point. He is not doing the saving. Moses says, "I can't do this." Yahweh responds, "You're not, I AM." -The NIV Application Commentary Exodus. pg 102

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