

The Story of Faith: The Foundation of your Life

- **January 14/15: Leaving the Familiar Behind** (Genesis 12/13, 15-17, 21-22, 32-33, 35, Romans 4, Hebrews 11)
- **January 21/22: When life isn't fair** (Genesis 37, 39, 41-48. 50)
- **January 28/29: God has great plans for you!** (Exodus 1-7, 10-17)

Ex 2:23 During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God.

Ex 2:24 God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob.

Ex 2:25 So God looked on the Israelites and was concerned about them.

The God that revealed himself to Moses is the same God that wants to reveal himself to you.

1. **God is concerned about our pain.**
2. **God reveals himself to people in a personal manner.**
3. **God has a bias towards action.**

Ex 3:7 The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering.

Ex 3:8 So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites.

We do not need someone to solve our problems, we need someone to help us through our problems.

The Story of God:

- **He walked with Adam in the Garden.**
- **He made a special appearance to Abraham.**
- **He revealed himself to Joseph in a dream.**
- **He is now speaking face to face to Moses.**
- **He will eventually send his own Son to rescue mankind from the bonds of sin.**

Ex 3:13 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

Ex 3:14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

Discussion Questions for Chapter 4

- How did God display his concern and love for his people after hearing their cries and groaning?
- In what ways was Moses qualified to lead the people? In what ways did he feel he was not qualified?
- Have you ever felt unqualified or unable to do something, as Moses did? How did you handle it?