



A Life-changing Encounter at Mt. Sinai

Moses is regarded as the greatest prophet because he served as mediator between God and Israel in establishing a covenant relationship and presenting God's gift of His commandments to the people. But this only could happen through his response of faith and obedience.

1 - Think About God's provision - *The world population is now 8.2 billion people. If you were born in the 1950's, that number has tripled in your lifetime! The 5 most populous countries are China, India, the United States, Indonesia, and Pakistan. With all those people and needs, is it hard to believe that God hears our prayers?*

2 - Watch the Video for Week 4 with Pastor Scott

3 - Read & Discuss the sermon: Moses' Calling -

- **Read Exodus 3:1-3** - Moses meets God in the desert by Mt. Sinai while in hiding after murdering an Egyptian he saw beating a Hebrew slave. He likely thought this was his lot in life, but God had a different plan...
- **Read Exodus 3:4-6** - Removing sandals is a sign of respect and humility in the Middle East, even today. Moses is personally introduced to the God of his forefathers for the first time:
 - *Notice that God initiates this interaction and acts to get Moses' attention - what does that tell us about His nature?*
- **Read Exodus 3:7-10** - God reveals His assignment to Moses:
 - *Why is God calling Moses to go to Pharaoh?*
 - *How does this passage help us think in new ways about a God who sees our struggles and hears our cries?*
- **Read Exodus 3:11-12** - Moses responds with uncertainty, but God reminds him that He will be with him.
 - *What likely went through Moses' mind when he thought about appearing before Pharaoh? He had many reasons to be anxious, but God reminds him the assignment is not based on his ability, but on God's presence.*
 - *God's objective is for His people to "serve (or worship) Him at this mountain". The Israelites who were "serving" Pharaoh will become "servants of the Most High God" (Exodus 19). How is this a picture of the life of faith, even for us today?*
- **Pray for each other! Record some prayer requests from your group here to remember to pray through the week:**

Spiritual Formation Tools

Keep referring to the two tools to deepen your LIFE Group experience:

- **The Spiritual Health Inventory**
- **The Rule of Life chart**

If you were able to review these in the past week, share with your group what insights the Inventory provided for you. If you haven't reviewed these tools yet, take some time this week so we can use these insights in the weeks ahead to grow closer to God and to each other!

