SMALL GROUP GUIDE
SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD

SERMON SUMMARY

Watch the sermon summary here: https://youtu.be/fnbJpGO14l0

INTRO

When you picture God, what do you see?

READ

Exodus 3

DISCUSSION

1. Begin by getting some general responses to the message/passage.

2. Moses had spent 40 years in the wilderness before God spoke to him through the burning bush. Pastor Mike said we're all being "shaped or malformed" by the things around us. Where do you see this playing out in the world around you?

3. Exodus 3 is the first time "holy" appears in the Bible. Why do you think reverence and even fear are often our first response to encountering God's holiness?

4. God tells Moses in verse 7: "I have indeed seen the misery of my people... I have heard them crying out... I am concerned about their suffering." Does it make a difference to know that God's delays are not the same as His denials?

5. Moses asks God who He is, and God answers not with a title but with a name: "I AM WHO I AM." What does it mean that God defines Himself...Himself? Where might you be tempted to shrink God down to a version that's easier to manage or more comfortable for you?

6. Pastor Mike shared Fleming Rutledge's story of confirmation students drawing pictures of God, then tearing them up and throwing them away. What is your response to this story: helpful? Mean to kids? Have you had an experience of needing to "tear up" your own understanding of who He is?

7. Would you be able to hear God's voice if he called, or is your life too cluttered? What do you need to do – to add or subtract – from your life to cultivate time with God and learn to hear his voice?

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