

March 24, 2019

“I AM...”

“All That God Promises to Be for You!”

“God replied to Moses, ‘I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel. I AM has sent me to you.’” Exodus 3:14

“I AM Here”

“God is Always with You.”

“But Jesus spoke to them at once. ‘Don’t be afraid,’ He said. ‘Take courage. I am here.’” Matthew 14:27

A. Moses discovers “I AM”...

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1. Moses finds God’s presence powerfully communicates who God is.

“Do not come any closer,” the LORD warned. ‘Take off your sandals, for you are standing on holy ground.’” Exodus 3:5

2. Moses finds God’s promises of deliverance communicates who God is.

“So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and lead them out of Egypt into their own fertile and spacious land.” Exodus 3:8a

3. Moses’ discovery of “I AM” only comes when he sees his own need.

“But Moses protested to God, ‘Who am I to appear before Pharaoh? Who am I to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt?’” Exodus 3:11

B. But when God says, “I AM”...

1. God’s absolute being means He never had a beginning.
2. God’s absolute being means God will never end.
3. God’s absolute being means God is absolute reality.

4. God’s absolute being means that God is utterly independent.
5. God’s absolute being means that everything that is not God depends totally on God.
6. God’s absolute being means all of the universe is in comparison to God as nothing.
7. God’s absolute being means that God is constant. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.
8. God’s absolute being means that He is the absolute standard of truth, goodness, and beauty.
9. God’s absolute being means God does whatever He pleases and it is always right, always beautiful, and always in accord with truth.
10. God’s absolute being means that He is the most important and most valuable reality, and the most important and most valuable person in the universe.

*John Piper from “I Am Who I Am”

C. When God gives Himself a name...

“Those who know Your name trust in You, for You, O LORD, do not abandon those who search for You.” Psalm 9:10

1. When God gives Himself a name, it means God exists and we need to live that way.
2. When God gives Himself a name, it means nothing exists outside of God and there is nothing behind God.
3. When God gives Himself a name, it means that objective truth is vital and is more than our subjective feelings or desires.
4. When God gives Himself a name, we must conform to God and not Him to us. We must conform to His will and His character.

5. This God draws near to us in Jesus Christ.

“Jesus answered, ‘I tell you the truth, before Abraham was even born, I AM!’” John 8:58

D. Wherever we are, as believers in Jesus Christ, God is...

1. No matter where we are, “I AM.”
2. No matter how we feel, “I AM.”
3. No matter what is before us, “I AM.”
4. No matter what is behind us, “I AM.”
5. No matter what you are going through, “I AM.”
6. No matter... “I AM.”

“But Jesus spoke to them at once. ‘Don’t be afraid,’ He said. ‘Take courage. I am here.’” Matthew 14:27

“For God has said, ‘I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.’” Hebrews 13:5b

“And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:20b

“I Am Not But I Know I AM” -Louie Giglio

Next Week:

March 31:

“I Am the Bread of Life”

“God will fill all your needs!”

“Jesus replied, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to Me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in Me will never be thirsty.’” John 6:35