

Who Is “I Am”?

Use this guide as a tool to help you prepare to experience spiritual transformation in a practical way. It is a flexible guide that will help you discover, own, and apply the truths of God’s Word.

Message Summary

The New Day Church family is reading through the bible chronologically in 2017. Each week we hear a sermon that leads us into the reading for the week and shows us the Gospel thread throughout the story. We are learning that the story of Redemption is on full display from Genesis to Revelation. Both Old and New Testaments are one unified story that speaks of the beauty of God and the Redemption He has provided for us.

The book of Genesis ends with the children of Israel living in Egypt. They went there, under the mighty hand of God, because of famine in their land. Through the course of evil, difficult circumstances, and many years of suffering, God brought this family of Abraham to Egypt in order “that many people should be kept alive” (Genesis 50:20). As time went on Israel, Abraham’s children, multiplied in the land. A new king rose to power, Joseph and all his brothers died, and Egypt forgot the story of Joseph and his brothers. The new king grew concerned that Israel would take over Egypt. Therefore he enslaved them, put heavy burdens on them, and they began to cry out to God for redemption.

God heard their cry. He knew their sorrow. As a result, He kept His promise to Abraham and His offspring. Through more difficult circumstances, God brought a man on the scene named Moses. While Moses was minding his own business and shepherding his flock, God appeared to him in a burning bush in the wilderness. Through this experience, God commanded Moses to go to Egypt and bring the children of Israel out of slavery. Moses, however, asked God two questions. First he asked, “Who am I?” Second he asked, “Who are You?” Through this burning bush encounter, God revealed Himself. He revealed Himself as “I AM”!

Through this sermon we saw the character of I AM. We saw Him in all His beauty and majesty. As a result we learned who we are in light of who He really is. Just as Moses learned, we learned that we are called to respond with trust, worship, and obedience. As you prepare to meet with your Missional Community this week examine the characteristics of I AM and begin to think how you respond to Him. Is there an area of your life that needs to be adjusted? Are you fully trusting Him? Does this compel you to worship Him even in difficult and maybe dangerous circumstances? Are you obeying His commands even when they are uncomfortable? How will you respond now that you have been introduced to I AM?

Message Outline

Who is “I Am”?

1. I am **Holy**. (1-6)

- He is morally pure and without corruption.
- He is approachably separate.
- He is reverentially feared.

2. I am **Compassionate**. (7)

- He sees your suffering.
- He hears your cries.
- He understands your pain.
- He remembers His promises.

3. I am **Deliverer**. (8)

- He rescues from danger.
- He restores abundant life.

4. I am **Instructor**. (9-10)

- He has the plan.
- He sends laborers.
- He equips the called.

5. I am **Present**. (11-12)

- He is sufficient to calm your fears.
- He expects your worship.

6. I am **Eternal**. (13-14)

- He is the uncaused cause.
- He does not change.
- He has no needs.

7. I am **Faithful**. (15-18)

- He promises freedom.
- He promises redemption.
- He promises possession.
- He promises adoption.

8. I am **Sovereign**. (19)

- He is never surprised.
- He always wins.
- He will forever rule.

9. I am **Just**. (20)

10. I am **Gracious**. (21-22)

Who are you?

Who Is “I Am”?

Group Discussion

Use the following questions to help make application of God’s Word to your Head (What God wants me to know), to your Heart (What God wants me to desire/value), and to your Hands (What God wants me to do).

In regard to Exodus 3:1-22:

1. What does this passage teach about God? (God’s Identity; Theology)
2. What does this passage teach about what God has done? (God’s Action; Christology)
3. What does this passage teach about man/me? (Old & New Creation Identity; Ecclesiology)
4. What does this passage teach about what I should do? (Reveals what I really believe about Questions 1-3; Missional Ecclesiology)
5. What does this passage teach about how I do it uniquely in my context? (personal action steps of obedience)

Weekly Prayer Focus

• Church:

- Pray that all who have believed the Gospel will obey Jesus in believer’s baptism.
- Pray for new relationships that will lead to Gospel conversations.
- Pray for the elders as they lead us to accomplish the mission.
- Pray for the Missional Communities to impact their communities with the Gospel.
- Pray for Missional Communities to multiply into new neighborhoods.
- Pray for new DNA groups to start.
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• Local:

- Pray that God would burden us with the lostness in our cities, neighborhoods, and at work.
- Pray that God will identify 5 people you can begin to invest in and engage with the Gospel.
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• Global:

- Pray for workers as they prepare for the mission field.
- Pray that God would give you a heart for the nations.
- Pray for the team working in SEA, the new believers, for those who have heard the Gospel, and the church planting movement among the unreached.
- Pray for Good Shepherd Ministries and Bill & Sandy Younger.
- Pray for Servants Hearts Ministries and Bob & Georgette Kornegay.
- Pray for Pastor Abraham and his church in Guatemala.
- Pray for the work of Paul & Sarah Young and Dakota Baptist Church in North Dakota.
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