

# *Exodus: The journey of a lifetime*

## **Week 1: The burning bush**

### **WELCOME**

*Spend time relaxing and sharing together.*

Icebreaker. What would you do if you were walking in the Peak District and saw a bush that was on fire, but it didn't burn up?

### **WORSHIP**

Ask each person to share one way in which they prepare themselves to come into the presence of the Lord to worship him.

Encourage everyone to pick one of the things that have been mentioned (but not their own) and give it a go. It might be quite messy, especially if one person wants to listen to loud music (although they could use earphones) and another is trying to be silent. Alternatively, you could collectively select one of the ways that was shared.

### **WORD**

Read Exodus 3.1-22

1. Why did God decided to act on behalf of his people (3:7-10 and 2:23-25)?

# **Growth Group Notes**

## **Autumn 2023**



2. Forty years had elapsed between the end of chapter two and the beginning of chapter three (Acts 7:23,30). Why do you think God waited for forty years before he approached Moses to implement his rescue plan?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. How does Moses respond to the mission that God gives him (3:11-13)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Why doesn't God answer Moses' question and instead says to him, "I will be with you..." (3:12)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Why is Moses' question in v13 a much better question and why is God's answer so helpful?

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## **WHAT NEXT?**

Ask the group to share times when they have felt inadequate to do something that they have felt called to do. Why did you feel inadequate? Did you still do it and if so how did you get on?

## ***What can we do?***

Reflect on some, or all, of the following questions that Mark posed in his Sermon:

- a) Why does God choose to work through sinful and flawed people?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- b) How might what you have learned about God and Moses apply to you today?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- c) How might God be using your present circumstances to prepare you for the next task he has in mind for you? And what might God be preparing you for?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- d) How do you respond to God calling you?