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# Scripture Lesson Text

**EXOD. 3:1** Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb.

**2** And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

**3** And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

**4** And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I.

**5** And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy ground.

**6** Moreover he said, *I am* the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

**7** And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people

which *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

**8** And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

**9** Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

**10** Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

**11** And Moses said unto God, Who *am* I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

**12** And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this *shall be* a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

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# Obedience in Leadership

Lesson Text: Exodus 3:1-12

Related Scriptures: *Joshua 1:1-9; Judges 6:11-16; I Samuel 15:10-26; I Chronicles 17:1-14; John 17:1-5*

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**GOLDEN TEXT**—“I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt” (Exodus 3:10).

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## *Lesson Exposition*

We open our quarter on learning to honor God by reviewing the different ways God calls us to obey. The obedience of Moses revealed that obeying God is not about our own confidence or skills; it is about our confidence in God.

Moses was raised in Egypt in the court of Pharaoh. But after murdering an Egyptian for beating a Hebrew slave, he fled to Midian, where he found a wife and tended sheep. Egypt became a distant memory, yet at the right moment, God shared with Moses the plan He had had in place all along—a plan that revealed God’s love and concern for Moses and all of the Hebrews. Moses was to be God’s instrument in leading His people out of captivity and into the Promised Land. God had forgotten neither the Hebrews nor the promises He had made to their ancestors.

### **GETTING MOSES’ ATTENTION— Exod. 3:1-3**

**The tending of sheep in the desert (Exod. 3:1).** During his first forty years, Moses presumably enjoyed all the privileges and prestige that went with being a member of the Egyptian

royal family. But he turned his back on all the opportunities Egypt had to offer and decided to side with God and his fellow Hebrews (Heb. 11:24-26).

Having fled Egypt because Pharaoh wanted him killed (Exod. 2:15), Moses spent the next forty years of his life in Midian, where he tended the flock of his father-in-law, a priest named Reuel (vs. 18), or Jethro (3:1). The territory of Midian included the southern and eastern portions of the Sinai Peninsula.

For someone who had grown accustomed to the high life of Egyptian royalty, shepherding a flock must have been quite a step down; yet God used both forty-year periods of Moses’ life to prepare him for leading the Israelites out of Egypt. As a member of the royal family, Moses probably studied reading, writing, engineering, and mathematics. As a shepherd, Moses would have learned the geography of the desert and how to survive in that place.

When he was about eighty years old, Moses apparently drove his flock into the wilderness far from Jethro’s camp in an attempt to find sufficient grazing for the animals. Moses