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AWESOME GOD

PRAYER, FASTING & CONSECRATION WEEK

WEEK 1 | Jehovah: "My Lord"

PRAYER

We look to you, our great God, as our Lord. You are the one who grants us strength for every single task or circumstance we may face. We put our trust in you that you are indeed who you say you are! Receive our worship today. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

WARM UP (OPTIONAL)

What was the hardest task you've ever been a part of completing? What happened and how did you feel upon completing the task?

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WORD

¹ Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴ When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am."

⁵ Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And he said, "I am the God of your 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 at God. ⁷ Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. . ."

EXODUS 3:1-8

"When Moses delivered this message to the Israelites, they were camped on the plains of Moab across the valley from Jericho. They were facing fierce militaristic tribes with a reputation for violence and brutality. The Israelites had no army and no military training. They knew that if God did not fight for them, they would be slaughtered, their wives raped, and their children sold into slavery. They needed a deep reassurance of God's presence, his power, and his promises."

- Paul Barker

GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

1. On a scale of 1-10, how would you rate your ability to trust God to take full control of the hardest situation you might face. Why have you rated yourself this way?

- Verse 2 talks about how the bush was on fire, but not consumed. Where the presence of the Lord is with Moses, there is fire (which speaks of passion, purification, and refinement), but there was no "burnout". To walk in this fire that does not consume us, we must know him as Lord (the one who calls all the shots, the Boss, the King of our lives). Is he Lord in your life?
- Why do you think God told Moses that the ground where Moses was standing on was holy? What might be the significance of meeting with God and taking off his sandals? Do you approach God with the same reverence? Why or why not?
- For the Lord God to say, "I Am Who I Am" (Exodus 3:14), was to state of his name:
 - God is and was and always will be.
 - God is absolute reality, and there is no reality outside of him.
 - God is dependent on no one or nothing.
 - God is perfect and cannot be improved.
 - God is the standard of all truth, goodness, and beauty.
 - God is the Lord of all.

Which of these qualities of the Lord God do you see most evidently in your life?

Which of these do you need to trust God more in your life?

5. Are you in a relationship with God? If so, how might you deepen it in 2021? If not, would you like to enter into a relationship with God? If so, ask your Life Group leader to help you pray and take the initial first steps.

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite you to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow you as my Lord and Saviour. In Jesus' name, Amen.