# THE LAND BETWEEN

The Truth About God – Exodus 1:1-4:17

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June 1, 2025 I Phil Fuller, Lead Pastor Rancho Murieta Community Church

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Exodus 1:1-4:17 Questions based on the sermon from June 1, 2025

#### Getting to Know Me

- 1. When have you felt like you were in a desert season of your life? What helped you hold on?
- 2. Share about a time you felt *seen* or *heard* by God.

#### **Digging Deeper**

- 3. Read Exodus 2:23–25. What do you learn about God from the way he listens, remembers, sees, and understands his people's pain?
- 4. What comfort is found in Psalm 34:17-18? When was a time that you have experienced him this way?
- 5. In Exodus 3:4 Moses says, *"Here I am."* In Isaiah 6:8, God calls Isaiah as his prophet and he has a similar response: *"Here I am. Send me!"* How would you describe Moses & Isaiah's posture?
- 6. Read each of Moses' excuses. How common are these, and which of them sounds most like one you may have used?
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- 7. In Exodus 3:14, God says, *"I AM WHO I AM."* What do you think that means, and how does that help you trust him more?
- 8. Pastor Phil said we'll always have an identity crisis "until we recognize God's identity."
  - How does knowing who God is helps us know ourselves more?
  - How does your view of God impact who you become in difficult 'land between' seasons of life?

#### **Making it Personal**

- 9. Hard times reveal what we really believe about God. How has a tough season of your life revealed who you believed God to be? How were you shaped by this?
- 10. If the desert holds the potential of life but just needs water, what is something that wakes up your faith when it feels dry or tired?

#### Prayer

Read the following verse together as a collective prayer of faith. Pray in faith for your circumstances or for a loved one who needs it:

"The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail." --Isaiah 58:11 says

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