

## AWSOME GOD

## Pt 1: Jehovah

### INTRO

Did you make any New Year's resolutions or do you have any personal goals set for 2021? If so, can you share one of them.

### READ

Exodus 3:13-15; John 8:56-59; John 18:4-6

### REFLECT/RESPOND

God uses circumstances, not just messages, to move us in three ways:

- Less self-reliant
- More grateful
- More dependent on Him

*Qu: Can you share a current situation in your life where you suppose God is using difficult circumstances to change you in one of these three areas?*

The encounter Moses had with God recorded in this passage from Exodus was the first time in the Bible God revealed His name.

YHWH / Jehovah / Yahweh / LORD

Meaning: "the unchanging, eternal, self-existent God"

I am that I am.

While we do not know how to pronounce the four Hebrew letters of the name of God, we do know the bigger thing that God wanted Moses to know, namely, that He is the unchanging, eternal, self-existent God.

It's also important to understand that Jesus is this same unchanging, eternal, self-existing God as the passages from John reveal.

Even though Moses had this amazing personal encounter with God at the burning bush where He became the first person to receive this level of revelation about God, Moses still struggled to live with this understanding in his heart. As we see Moses move forward to be the leader and deliverer that God called him to be, there were many expressions of doubt along the way even when God performed incredible signs.

We are no different than Moses even with all the understanding we have about God.

*Qu: Why do you think it so difficult to practically trust God even though we have the knowledge that the unchanging, eternal, self-existing God is with us?*

### PRAY

That we would grow in our knowledge and trust of the great "I am" in 2021

Pray for any needs in the group or people that you care about.

### **My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine**

1. My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;  
for thee all the follies of sin I resign;  
my gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou;  
if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

William Ralph Featherston(e) Canada 1846-1875. Born at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, he joined the Wesleyan Methodist Church there. He became a Christian at age 16 while in Toronto, and is thought to have written his famous hymn about the same time. He sent the poem to his aunt, Ms. E. Featherston Wilson, in Los Angeles, CA, and she gave it to a publisher.