



Sermon Discussion Guide

God's Invitation to Pay Attention: Tim Knipp

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Hook - Getting to know one another

- *How is everyone doing this week? Add other questions to get to know one another, especially ones related to the topic in the sermon.*
- What is your favorite food to really just sit and savor?
- What are the traditions of this holiday season (Thanksgiving and Christmas) that help you pay attention and be present?

Book - Scripture

- *Read the scripture passages and discuss to understand **what the text is saying**:*
- **Read Exodus 2:1-3:7** (for a shorter passage read 2:11-19. 2:22-3:7)
- Where do you see the attention of the different characters being focused in this passage?
- Who are the characters that reflect God's way of paying attention?
- What do you notice about Moses' identity in this passage?
 - What do others say about it?
 - What does he say?
 - What does God say?
- What do you notice about God's revelation to Moses¹?
- Why do you think Moses needed to be invited into the presence of God?

Look - Connections to our world today

- *This section focuses on implications about **what this text means** about what's wrong in the world, about trusting God, about who God is, etc.*
- What are the "burning bushes" that might be inviting us into the presence of God?
- What do you think God would want to say to us in those moments?

¹ Moses in Egyptian means "son of ____." Rameses is "son of Ra." Another way of understanding Moses' name is "son of ?"



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- How does identity influence the way in which we are present to God and each other and vice versa?
- Which of those distractions are most prevalent for us here?

Took - Personal Application

- *This application focuses on **how God is calling us to respond**. This could be personally, as a family, small group, or church. It could be something to believe, to meditate on, to say or do this week.*
- What do you need to hear about your identity in God?
- What are the areas of life where you feel like your heart is in line with where God is paying attention?
- Where do you feel like you need to grow in your capacity to grow in your ability to be present?
- What is a practice that we as a small group can do together to attend to where we pay attention?

Time of Prayer