



¹ Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn

³ So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.” ⁴

When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, “Moses! Moses!” And Moses said, “Here I am.” ⁵ “Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.”

⁶ Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.” At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

-- Exodus 3:1-6



Standing on Holy Ground



Ground made holy by God's presence

- So much about this is **ordinary** and **common**
- Nothing suggests **holiness**
Moses had to be **told**

Holy ground demands reverence for God

- **“Do not come near here,
take off your sandals”**
- Two ideas regarding God
Nearness & intimacy
Transcendence

Holy ground leads to service to God

- This leads to Moses **leading Israel from Egypt**
- Holy ground will **challenge us**



**Do you recognize
holy ground?**

