

**Be Reformed** – Open the bible: study, dig and ask what the main point of the passage is

**Be Charismatic** – Expect the Holy Spirit: ask God to speak, minister, build up and lead us to maturity

**Be Community** – Love God's people: share vulnerably, apply, pray and build each other up

**Be Missional** – Win the world: apply lessons to outreach, make content accessible to non-Christians

## Exodus 3:13-15

13 Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

## John 8:54-59

54 Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' 55 But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. 56 Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." 57 So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." 59 So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

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### Summary

God is pleased to be known as "I AM". This is the name he gave Moses in Exodus.

This boils down to three things: 1) God is a personal God – He steps into our lives and takes us into His presence. He takes a people for Himself. 2) He rescues us from bondage. 3) He does it by the blood of the lamb.

When Jesus revealed himself to us, he also is to be known by that name "I AM". When we see Jesus, we see God (John 14:6).

He gives us eternal life. (John 6:47-51). He will not let us walk in darkness (John 8:12). Only through Jesus can we gain access to God's presence (John 10:9). He will rescue us from our foolishness (John 10:11). He will rescue us from death (John 11:25). He will give us guidance (John 14:6). He will bear fruit through us (John 15:1).

### Key points

When we know who Jesus is, we see God. When we know who God is, we can relate to Him on the right level.

### Questions

- >>What does God's name reveal about Him?
- >>What does the name I AM reveal about Jesus?
- >>What does this mean for me?
- >>Knowing these things, what needs to change about the way I relate to God?

### Final thoughts

Jesus is our God and our saviour. Who he is confirms what He will accomplish.