

## **Holy Ghost – “Consuming Fire” Pt. 3**

**1 Peter 2: 9-10** [Message]

**“9-10 But you are the ones chosen by God, chosen for the high calling of priestly work, chosen to be a holy people, God's instruments to do his work and speak out for him, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you—from nothing to something, from rejected to accepted.**

**11-12 Friends, this world is not your home, so don't make yourselves cozy in it. Don't indulge your ego at the expense of your soul.**

**Live an exemplary life among the natives so that your actions will refute their prejudices.**

**Then they'll be won over to God's side and be there to join in the celebration when he arrives”**

**WHO DAT NATION?**

**WE DAT NATION!**

**Hebrews 12: 28-29** [NIV TRANSLATION]

**" Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, FOR OUR GOD IS A CONSUMING FIRE"**

**FIRE**

The **phenomenon** of combustion **manifested** in light, flame, and heat

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**Exodus 3:1-2**(KJV)

**1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.**

**2 And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed”**

Exodus 3:3 3-5(KJV)

“3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4 And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground”

**The burning bush of Exodus 3 was one of those God life-altering events which happens but a few times in a person’s life**

\* This chapter is more than just the account of a God life-changing incident in the life of one man; however, it is a crucial turning point in the history of the nation Israel

### **The History of A Nation**

\* For the Holy Fire Presence of the Lord a God life – changing incident touched one man and set a nation on its course!

\* Think about that!

The burning bush marks the beginning of God’s direct intervention into the affairs of history – and continues to this day!

[The Holy Ghost and Fire Presence] – [Gods voice in the fire]

**It is the basis for the call of Moses to return to Egypt as Israel’s deliverer. It is the beginning of the end of Egyptian oppression**

\* The very spirit of Egyptian Oppression was ending!

### **Oppression**

*Prolonged cruel or unjust treatment or control – An unjust exercise of authority - caused to feel distressed, anxious or uncomfortable – pressed against - Mental pressure or distress*

This passage of Scripture [Exodus 3](#) - is one that was well known to the Jews of Jesus' day

The account of the "burning bush" was so central to the thinking of the gospel writers, Mark and Luke, that they (perhaps like most men in their day) came to call this section of Scripture "the bush" portion

[Mark 12:24-27](#) (KJV)

"24 And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

- \* Here we find the Sadducees were attempting to discredit Jesus
- \* The resurrection is denied by the Sadducees and scoffed at so they asked a sarcastic question about 7 brothers each one dieing married the same woman – each man died leaving no children – no seed
- \* And the woman died – so whose wife will she be in heaven?
- \* So in the resurrection whose wife shall she be in heaven since they all had married her?

**Jesus answers**

[Mark 12:24-27](#) (KJV)

"24 And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

- \* Simply the resurrection is based on the Scriptures and the Power of God

**25 For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as the angels which are in heaven.**

- \* The resurrection is different from any earthly experience – it is of another world another dimension

**26 And as touching the dead, that they rise: have ye not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?**