

Does God see me?

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When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called out to him from the bush, "Moses, Moses!"

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"Do not come closer," he said. "Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Then he continued, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Moses hid his face because he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people in Egypt, and have heard them crying out because of their oppressors. I know about their sufferings, and I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and to bring them from that land to a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the territory of the Canaanites, Hethites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites. So because the Israelites' cry for help has come to me, and I have also seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them, therefore, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh so that you may lead my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." (Ex 3:2-10, CSB)

2. What does the Psalmist extol?

The one who lives under the protection of the Most High
dwells in the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say concerning the LORD, who is my refuge and my fortress,
my God in whom I trust:

He himself will rescue you from the bird trap,
from the destructive plague.

He will cover you with his feathers;
you will take refuge under his wings.

His faithfulness will be a protective shield.

You will not fear the terror of the night,
the arrow that flies by day,
the plague that stalks in darkness,

or the pestilence that ravages at noon. (Ps 91:1-6, CSB)

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Teacher Notes

For this age, this lesson requires the teacher to read the biblical passages to the student. Read dramatically to help the student visualize what is happening and encourage them to listen carefully. Re-read significant parts as he engages and grapples with questions you may pose.

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Ask the student: how does God identify Himself? What kind of person would recognize this identification?

God introduces Himself to Moses as, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Moses instantly recognizes this, because he hid his face in fear of looking at God.

Ask the student: what kind of person did God see?

God saw the misery of His people; God watches Believers!

Ask the student: why does God watch Believers? Hint: Abraham.

God made a promise to Abraham that a) He will be God to him and his descendants, and b) through a descendant all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.

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Inform the student: the book of Psalms is a collection of prayers and praises to God.

Ask the student: what sticks out to you about what the Psalmist is saying? Encourage the student to share all that he thinks. Make a list on a white board to help the student and reinforce what he observes.

The key passage establishes who God watches: "I will say concerning the LORD, who is my refuge and my fortress, **my God in whom I trust.**"

For Believers, God not only watches you, but He also blesses and protects!