

## “The Angel of the Lord”

Exodus 23:20-32

### I. Who is this Angel of the Lord?

A \_\_\_\_\_ of YHWH

A. Theophany – “a \_\_\_\_\_ manifestation of the invisible God”

The angel of the Lord appears to Moses out of the burning bush in Exodus 3

*“God calls [Moses] out of the burning bush”* [4b]

*“I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.”*

*Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.”* [Exodus 3:6]

The angel does not speak for God, but \_\_\_\_\_ God

When and where this Angel is present, the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_

B. Christophany

The Angel of the Lord has Christ-like attributes

1. He is \_\_\_\_\_

*“I am who I am.”*-- the eternal now [Exodus 3:14, John 8:58]

*“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”*

[Revelation 22:13]

2. He bears God’s \_\_\_\_\_

*“My name is in him”* [Exodus 23:21]

God has given Jesus the Name that is above \_\_\_\_\_ name [Philippians 2:9]

3. He accepts \_\_\_\_\_

4. He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive sins

*“Who can forgive sins but God alone?”* [Mark 2:7]

5. He commands complete obedience and \_\_\_\_\_

### II. The Blessings of the Angel

*“I send an angel before you to guard you on the way, and to bring you to the place that I have prepared.”* [Exodus 23:20]

A. He is down to the \_\_\_\_\_ we know

In the Person of Jesus, God has come \_\_\_\_\_

The Creator of the universe lives and moves among “common bushes”

- B. He \_\_\_\_\_ us  
*"He became their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them."* [Isaiah 63:8b-9]
- C. He \_\_\_\_\_ us on the way
- D. He \_\_\_\_\_ us
- E. He \_\_\_\_\_ us
- F. He \_\_\_\_\_ our enemies  
Jesus us our great, victorious Captain
- G. He brings us to the place He has \_\_\_\_\_--the Promised Land – heaven  
*"I go to prepare a place for you"* [John 14:3]  
We are still walking between Egypt and Canaan

### III. Our Response

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ idolatry – worship God alone
- B. Pay careful \_\_\_\_\_  
*"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."* [Matthew 17:5]
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ his voice  
To hear is to obey in Hebrew understanding  
He is with us in the desert, in all kinds of \_\_\_\_\_