



The bush that does not burn up

AT A GLANCE


Bible

Exodus 3:1–14


Topic

Calling despite doubt


Takeaway

God believes in me more than I believe in myself



8 minutes



Object: a candle



Preparation: 5 min



indoors or outdoors



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Calling despite doubt". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

1 min

Opening

Light the candle. Ask: What are you really good at – and where do you feel too small?

2 min

Bible text

Read Exodus 3:1–14. Moses is looking after sheep. A bush is burning but does not burn up. God calls him to free the people. Moses comes up with one excuse after another.

3 min

Thought

Moses feels incapable: Who am I? God does not answer "You can do it!", but: "I will be with you." Many tasks in the group or in life seem too big. God's answer is not self-improvement but companionship.

2 min

Conversation

What might God be calling you to right now – perhaps in something small?



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Prayer to read aloud

God, you call people who feel too small. When I doubt, remind me: you are with me. Amen.



To think further

- Which excuses do you use most often?
- God gives his name: "I will be who I will be." What does that tell you about God?



For leaders

- Never put young people on the spot: ask open questions, nobody has to answer.
- Let one of the young people read the Bible text aloud.
- Encourage them to say the prayer themselves – the written prayer gives confidence.



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