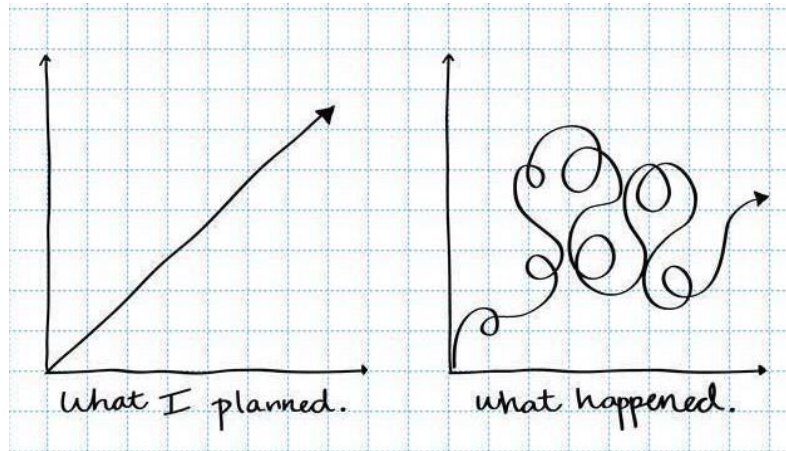


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## Modern Day Burning Bushes

Reflection by Kelly Meyers

Do you ever wonder if God still speaks to us like he did in the Old Testament? Over the past several years I have gone through some big changes in my life – primarily with my work. Both times I turned to God when things felt like they weren't right, and both times he delivered in BIG ways. But it was only when I was willing to keep my mind open that I really 'heard' him! And I'm so grateful that I trusted him enough.

I can only imagine the thoughts Moses had when God first spoke to him in the burning bush. I'm pretty certain the Bible has left out some of his honest thoughts & feelings! But thankfully Moses was faithful – even when others thought him crazy.

In 2014 I was working at a church doing a job that I loved and felt called to. But due to some changes I started to feel it was time to leave. I couldn't believe that I felt that way because after 12 years I still felt like I had a purpose there. So I prayed. A LOT. But this time I prayed for God to tell me what I should do. I will be honest. It took a while. And the answers came in pieces – it wasn't laid out like a storybook with all the answers. As I was waiting in my car to pick up my kindergartner and head to my older daughter's high school graduation ceremony (crazy, right?) I had an incredible, overwhelming urge come over me that I couldn't shake, and I just knew it was God telling me to 'let go and trust him.' I quit my job at that moment (in my car!) and within 5 minutes it was ABUNDANTLY clear to me why God was urging me so strongly at that moment what I needed to do.



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I didn't have another job. My husband trusted me (and trusted God) when I told him I couldn't explain it. And over the course of the next few weeks some very different, and unplanned things fell into place. It was absolutely God at work. We took some risks, and ultimately that path led me to something unique and gave me the opportunities to share my faith in new and different ways! That change led us to Immanuel and we are so grateful to God for this community.

Fast forward to fall 2018 and I had that feeling I couldn't shake again. This time I prayed for answers – because I didn't like either choice I saw before me! I knew God had a plan and I prayed for specific answers. This time I had a dream that caused me to wake up and shake my head. I knew exactly what He was calling me to do. And it wasn't easy. I was saying goodbye to something I had poured so much energy into! But as soon as I resigned, things fell into place there with people that could only be God at work. I had fulfilled whatever purpose he had for me there and it was time for me to move on!

I firmly believe that God still talks to us through the Holy Spirit in ways that are unusual and profound. And I'm grateful I had the courage to listen and act. I am grateful for where God has led me and my family. The graphic of what I planned for my life and what happened is accurate and I think it's much more beautiful because God has been behind it!

I can't wait to see (and hear) where God will lead me next and I'm waiting eagerly for him to speak to me in more creative ways. Who knows, it might just be another burning bush. But I'm listening, God!