

DAY 37

Faith Plus Doubt Equals ... Calling?

But Moses asked God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh ... ?”

Exodus 3:11

Leadership Affirmation

Lord, I confess that I am a “whole bunch of not much.” But You IN me—now that changes everything!

Few people have a burning bush to put the biblical stamp of authority on their calling from God. Moses’ call certainly contained drama, but it is far more practical and repeatable than we might expect.

God Does Something New: “And the angel of the Lord appeared to him...” (Exodus 3:2). A call to ministry always starts with God. Not with your aspirations. God moves first. The Lord appeared to him and drew him in.

We Respond with Curiosity: “Moses said, ‘I will turn aside to see this great sight...’” (Exodus 3:3). Moses could have walked on by, but he didn’t. A huge part of calling is not just noticing something unusual, but *responding* to it. Moses didn’t know he was being called, but something caught his attention, and he took a closer look.

God's Presence Brings Clarity: “When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him...” (Exodus 3:4). It wasn’t until Moses turned aside that God spoke. The burning bush was an invitation. The instruction followed the curiosity. Only when we draw near to God and linger in His presence do we hear His voice.

The First Reaction is Often Hesitation: “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?” (Exodus 3:11). Moses offered a series of very human objections. I’m not qualified. They won’t listen. I’m bad with words. And if we’re honest, we do the same. When God starts getting specific, we start getting squirmy.

Surrender Follows Struggle: “So Moses...went back to the land of Egypt.” (Exodus 4:20). Despite all Moses’ objections and hesitations, the reluctant shepherd became the deliverer of a nation. It didn’t happen in a moment. It happened after wrestling. Moses didn’t volunteer. He surrendered. And that’s how most true callings work. They’re not dreams we chase. They’re assignments we yield to, doubts swallowed up by faith!

Prayer for Protection

Spirit of God, deliver me from being defined by my doubts, controlled by my fears, or hampered by my past in my service for the Lord God of Heaven and Earth!