

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS
MARCH 20, 2024
EXODUS 3:11,12

INTRODUCTION:

1. At the age of forty, Moses developed a heart for his people and sought to deliver them.
 - a) **EXODUS 2.11:** Moses *“went out to his brethren, and looked at their burden”*
 - b) **EXODUS 2.13:** *“Why are you striking your companion?”*
 - c) Moses saw himself as the one God chose to deliver Israel. (Acts 7.23-26)
2. At the age of eighty, Moses developed a heart of apprehension. (Ex. 3.10)
 - a) The one who was eager to help, was now hesitant and presented a series of objections.
 - b) In every objection, God offered a solution.
3. Every objection we may have to God’s command comes with a solution.

I. THE OBJECTION OF MOSES

- A. Moses felt inadequate for the task God called him to do.
 1. First, God was sending Moses to confront Pharaoh.
 - a) **EXODUS 3.10:** *“Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh”*
 - b) Who was Pharaoh? (Ex. 2.23,10; Acts 7.23,30)
 2. Second, God was sending Moses to be a leader over Israel.
 - a) **EXODUS 3.10:** *“you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”*
 - b) They had already rejected him as their deliverer. (Ex. 2.14)
 - c) The difficulties of those who follow can cause even the strongest to buckle under the burden of leadership. (Ex. 18.15-18; Num. 11.11-14; 16.3; 14.22)
 3. With those two challenges set before Moses, he felt inadequate for the job.
 - a) **EXODUS 3.11:** *“Who am I?”* What makes me so special?
 - b) Moses felt inadequate because he did not speak well. (Ex. 4.10; 6.12,30; Acts 7.22)
 - c) Moses placed the probability of his success in his own abilities.
- B. We feel inadequate for the tasks God calls us to do.
 1. The work God expects us to do is challenging. (Matt. 7.14)
 - a) It is hard to preach the gospel. (Matt. 28.19; 2 Cor. 2.16)
 - b) It is hard to be hated by the world. (John 15.18; 16.2,30)
 - c) It is hard to live a life of sacrifice. (Mark 8.34)
 2. It is more challenging to live unfaithfully. (Prov. 13.15)

II. THE SOLUTION OF GOD

- A. Moses would not have to do it alone.
 1. **EXODUS 3.12:** *“I will certainly be with you.”* This was a guarantee.
 2. **EXODUS 3.12:** *“And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you”* The proof of God being with Moses would be the success of the task God sent him to do.
 3. What does it mean for God to be with you?
 - a) God was with His people. (Gen. 31.3; Deut. 31.23; Josh. 1.5)
 - b) Isaiah provides some insight. (Isa. 41.10; 43.2)
- B. You will not have to take on the work of God by yourself.
 1. **HEBREWS 13.5:** *“I will never leave you nor forsake you”*
 2. If God is with me, why do I still struggle? (Luke 22.43,44; 2 Cor. 12.7-10)
 3. **1 CORINTHIANS 3.5-7:** *“Who then is Paul?”* (cf. 1 Cor. 15.10)