

## “EVERYONE OF GOD’S KIDS HAS A CALL”

Series: “SO MUCH MORE”, Part 5 of 10

Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Text: Exodus 4:8-17

**Big Idea: Everyone of God’s kids has a call, but the effective execution of that call happens only as God’s adequacy is expressed through our inadequacy.**

Exodus 33:11a, “The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend.”

Exodus 4:10-17, “Moses said to the LORD, “O Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue.” The LORD said to him, “Who gave man his mouth? Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say.” But Moses said, “O Lord, please send someone else to do it.” Then the LORD’s anger burned against Moses and he said, “What about your brother, Aaron the Levite? I know he can speak well. He is already on his way to meet you, and his heart will be glad when he sees you. You shall speak to him and put words in his mouth; I will help both of you speak and will teach you what to do. He will speak to the people for you, and it will be as if he were your mouth and as if you were God to him. But take this staff in your hand so you can perform miraculous signs with it.”

Exodus 4:18a, “Then Moses went back to Jethro his father-in-law.”

### **I. I AM NOT A LIKELY CANDIDATE.**

Exodus 3:11b, “Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

Acts 7:22-25, “Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was powerful in speech and action. “When Moses was forty years old, he decided to visit his fellow Israelites. He saw one of them being mistreated by an Egyptian, so he went to his defense and avenged him by killing the Egyptian. Moses thought that his own people would realize that God was using him to rescue them, but they did not.”

2 Corinthians 12:10b, “For when I am weak, then I am strong.”

2 Corinthians 3:5, "Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God."

2 Corinthians 9:8, "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

**II. I AM NOT A DEEPLY INFORMED CANDIDATE.**

Exodus 3:13, "Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

**III. I AM NOT A BELIEVABLE CANDIDATE.**

Exodus 4:1, "Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The LORD did not appear to you'?"

Exodus 4:8, "Then the LORD said, "If they do not believe you or pay attention to the first miraculous sign, they may believe the second."

**IV. I AM NOT AN ARTICULATE CANDIDATE.**

Exodus 4:10, "Moses said to the LORD, "O Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue."

Acts 7:22, "Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was powerful in speech and action."

Exodus 4:11a, "The LORD said to him, "Who gave man his mouth? 12 Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say."

**V. I AM NOT AN EAGER CANDIDATE.**

Exodus 4:13, "But Moses said, "O Lord, please send someone else to do it."

Exodus 4:14a, "Then the LORD's anger burned against Moses."