

THE WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD

**A Journey Through the
Old Testament**

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so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures, we might have hope.

Exodus 3

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I have heard them crying out because of their oppressors, and I am aware of their sufferings.

8 I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

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9 And now the cry of the Israelites has reached Me, and I have seen how severely the Egyptians are oppressing them.

10 **Therefore, go!**

I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring My people the Israelites out of Egypt.”

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“I do not have the abilities needed to accomplish what you are asking me to do.”

“Lord, You have made a mistake. You have the wrong person here.”

“You didn’t create me with the right abilities. Really Lord, You are the One at fault here”.

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14 Then the anger of the LORD burned against Moses, and He said,
“Is not Aaron the Levite your brother?
I know that he can speak well,
and he is now on his way to meet you.
When he sees you, he will be glad in his heart.

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Exodus 7

1 The LORD answered Moses, "See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet.

2 You are to speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his land.

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17 But take this staff in your hand so you can perform signs with it.”

Moses' 1st Objection

Exodus 3:11 But Moses asked God, “**Who am I,** that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

12“**I will surely be with you,**” God said,

I have died and my life is hidden in Christ

- maturing in Christ means:
 - we become less and less
 - Christ becomes more and more

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 - practice dying to yourself daily

Matthew 16

24 Then Jesus told His disciples, "If anyone wants to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross (daily) and follow Me.

25 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Moses' 2nd Objection

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14 God said to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM.** This is what you are to say to the Israelites: '**I AM has sent me to you.**' "

We have been granted everything we need through our knowledge of Him (2 Peter 1:3).

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Rather than knowing about people, systems, or techniques, or ourselves**Know God**

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Moses' 3rd Objection

Exodus 4:1 Then Moses answered, “**What if they do not believe me or listen to my voice?**

For they may say, ‘The LORD has not appeared to you.’ ”

2 And the LORD asked him, “**What is that in your hand?**”

God causes belief by His own power
- He simply uses whatever you have

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1 Corinthians 2

1 When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God.

2 For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

3 I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling.

4 My message and my preaching were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, 5 so that your faith would not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

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**We serve God on the basis of His abilities,...
...not ours.**

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The God who made us and knows us,
is the same God who sends us.

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God created our weaknesses,
to glorify Himself when His grace overcomes them.

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2 Corinthians 4

4 The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers so they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

5 For we do not proclaim ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4

7 Now we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this surpassingly great power is from God and not from us.

Moses' 5th Objection

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For the believer,
God, in His anger, is still gracious,

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5. God is gracious even in His anger
 - His(story) will whitewash even our disobedience

Hebrews 11

24 By faith Moses, when he was grown, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

25 He chose to suffer oppression with God's people rather than to experience the fleeting enjoyment of sin.

26 He valued disgrace for Christ above the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to his reward.

27 By faith Moses left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw Him who is invisible.

Deuteronomy 34

7 Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak, and his vitality had not diminished.

8 The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning for Moses came to an end.

Deuteronomy 34

10 Since that time, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face—

11 no prophet who did all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent Moses to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh and to all his officials and all his land,

12 and no prophet who performed all the mighty acts of power and awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

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