

Moses' Excuses & God's Promises
Exodus 3-5

A. Context (Exodus 2:16 – 3:4)

- God didn't speak to Moses until He had Moses' _____. Often God's Word doesn't touch our heart the way it might because we don't give it _____ attention.
- The burning bush was a spectacular phenomenon that captured Moses' attention; but it changed nothing until Moses received the _____ of God there.
- God's first words to Moses call him by _____. God knew who he was, and Moses was important to God.
- In his years in the wilderness of Midan, Moses must have often _____ how he murdered an Egyptian and how proud he was to think he could deliver Israel _____.
- Now, when God appeared, he responded in a way _____ different than he might have _____ years before.

B. Moses' Excuses:

EXCUSE #1: Who Am _____? (Exodus 3:11-12)

- 40 years before, Moses thought he _____ who he was: he was a prince of Egypt and a Hebrew, God's chosen instrument to deliver Israel.

GOD'S RESPONSE: I Will Certainly Be With _____.

- God's reply is intended to take Moses' focus off _____ and on where it should be, on God! Therefore, God never answered the question.
- God's _____ was more important than who Moses was. When we know the God who is with us, we can step forth _____ to do His will.

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Lesson 2

EXCUSE #2: What Shall I _____? (Exodus 3:13-14)

GOD'S RESPONSE: I AM WHO I AM = _____

- God tells Moses His name is I AM because God simply _____; there was never a time when He did not exist, or a time when He will cease to exist.
- They probably had no desire to return to the Promised Land; all they wanted was to be made more _____ in Egypt.

EXCUSE #3: How Will They _____ Me? (Exodus 4:1)

- It was good when Moses had no confidence in the _____; but it was bad that he then lacked _____ in God.

GOD'S RESPONSES:

- What is That in Your _____?
- Put Your _____ in Your Cloak.
- Take Water from the _____.

EXCUSE #4: I Don't _____ Well. (Exodus 4:10)

GOD'S RESPONSE: Who Has Made the _____?

EXCUSE #5: Please Send _____ Else (Exodus 4:13)

- His problem wasn't really a lack of ability; it was a lack of _____.

GOD'S RESPONSE: I Will Be with You and _____ You.

C. Preparation for Next Week: Read Exodus 4:18-31; Exodus 5:1-22; Exodus 13-17