

**Series: "LEAD LIKE IT MATTERS"**  
**Part 2: "THE EXCUSES OF A LEADER"**  
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➤ **Leadership is the God-given capacity and God-given responsibility to influence people toward God's purpose for their lives.**

<sup>9</sup> And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. <sup>10</sup> So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

Exodus 3:9-10 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

Exodus 3:11 (NIV)

**3 excuses Moses offered for not leading....**

1. He was \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The LORD did not appear to you?'"

Exodus 4:1 (NIV)

<sup>10</sup> Moses said to the LORD, "Pardon your servant, 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."

Exodus 4:10 (NIV)

2. He felt \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>13</sup> But Moses said, "Pardon your servant, Lord. Please send someone else."

Exodus 4:13 (NIV)

3. He assumed \_\_\_\_\_ should do it

<sup>13</sup> 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?"

Exodus 3:13 (NIV)

**The root problem....**

➤ Moses had a \_\_\_\_\_ issue

<sup>14</sup> 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.'" <sup>15</sup> God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.' "This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.

Exodus 3:14-15 (NIV)

**The solution to the problem....**

➤ Understand who \_\_\_\_\_ truly is

<sup>12</sup> And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain."

Exodus 3:12 (NIV)

➤ Understand that \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ you

**Sermon Notes:**

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