



Outward Group Discussion Guide

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SUMMARY

In this exploration of Exodus, we dive deep into the story of Moses' calling and the profound lessons it holds for our own faith journey. The central theme revolves around God's call to leadership and our often hesitant response. We see how Moses, despite his past failures and self-doubt, is chosen by God for a monumental task. This narrative beautifully illustrates that our weaknesses and feelings of inadequacy don't disqualify us from God's purpose - in fact, they may be the very things that make us suitable for His work. The burning bush encounter reminds us of God's holiness and the transformative power of His presence. As we reflect on Moses' five doubts, we're challenged to examine our own excuses and to trust in God's promise: 'I will be with you.' This message encourages us to step out in faith, using our God-given gifts and experiences, even when we feel unqualified. It's a call to embrace our identity in Christ and to allow God's strength to shine through our weaknesses.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does the concept of 'who me' leadership apply to your own life and calling? In what areas do you feel God might be calling you to step up despite feelings of inadequacy?
2. What does it mean for our identity to be found in God's presence rather than our own abilities? How might this change how we approach challenges and opportunities?
3. How do you reconcile the idea of God using our weaknesses with the cultural emphasis on self-improvement and 'being your best self'?
4. In what ways have you experienced God working through your 'staff' - the ordinary tools and skills of your daily life and work?
5. How does understanding God as the 'great I AM' impact your view of His sovereignty and your place in His plans?
6. What are some practical ways we can cultivate a deeper awareness of God's presence in our daily lives and decision-making?

7. How might our approach to leadership and service change if we truly believed that God's power is made perfect in our weakness?
8. In what areas of your life do you find yourself saying 'please send someone else' to God? How can you move past this reluctance?
9. How does the story of Moses challenge our assumptions about who God can use and what qualifies someone for ministry or leadership?
10. What does it mean for us to be 'sent ones' in our everyday contexts? How can we live out this calling in our families, workplaces, and communities?