

Not Afraid - Week 2: Watch Me Work

Main Thought: Trusting God to Overcome Failure

1. The Fear of Failure

- Everyone faces failure from Abraham to Moses.
 - Midas touch or Murphy's Touch
- Failure doesn't disqualify you from God's purpose; it often prepares you for it.
- Moses' fear came from a past mistake, not God's present calling.
- Exodus 3:11–13 Moses questions his ability and even God's plan.

2. God's Power Over Our Weakness

- God meets Moses' fear with reminders of His identity: "A New Conversation"
 Exodus 3:9-22
 - o "I Am Who I Am." (Exodus 3:14)
 - o "I will be with you." (Exodus 3:12)

• Exodus 4:1–13 — God equips Moses with signs and reassurance.

3. The God Who Fights for You

- Even after miracles, Israel still fears Exodus 14:11–12.
- God's identity as "the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob" declares His faithfulness through every generation of failure and redemption.
- Fear asks, "What if we fail?" Faith answers, "What if God doesn't?"
- Exodus 14:13–14 "Don't be afraid. Just stand still and watch the Lord rescue you today."

4. Learning to Leave Egypt Behind

- Exodus 13:17 God didn't lead them through the Philistine route because they
 might "change their minds and return to Egypt."
- Egypt represents comfort in captivity going back to what we were freed from.
- Sometimes God leads the long way to protect us from short-term failure.
- Exodus 14:13–14 "Don't be afraid. Just stand still and watch the Lord rescue you today."
- God says, "Watch me Work"

5. Failure Isn't Final because God Is Faithful

- Moses' journey reminds us:
 - o Fear may visit, but it cannot stay.

- Fear will respond to multiple voices
 - Fear is contagious, but so are faith, hope, and love Grochel
- When Faith Rises, Fear Retreats
 - Exodus 14:31
- We might fail, but God never does.
 - Psalm 73:26–28 "My health may fail, and my spirit may grow weak, but God remains the strength of my heart."

Call to Action:

What Failure are you ready to deal with? What do you need to face that failure?