



Miracles out of Messes

Part 2

Sunday February 11, 2024

The Book of Exodus 6:6-13, “⁶ Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. ⁷ I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a

possession. I am the Lord.”⁹ Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.¹⁰ So the Lord said to Moses,¹¹ “Go in, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the people of Israel go out of his land.”¹² But Moses said to the Lord, “Behold, the people of Israel have not listened to me. How then shall Pharaoh listen to me, for I am of uncircumcised lips?”¹³ But the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron and gave them a charge about the people of Israel and about Pharaoh king of Egypt: to bring the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt.” May the Lord add His Blessing to the Reading and the Hearing of His Word Today, In Jesus Name, Amen!

Last Sunday, I delivered a sermon that I thought was to be a stand alone message to the church body and to continue into our preplanned sermon series for February, but God... The Holy Ghost began to stir in my heart to stay in this vein of teaching and started to expound on the Scripture by illuminating some specific points for me to minister to you.

Friends, if we were to all be honest, we were all a mess when Jesus found us and began to write a new story out of the messes that we had made of our lives. Big messes, small messes, complicated messes, self-inflicted messes; we all can identify with one fact. While we were still yet sinners, living breathing messes, Jesus died for us and through His Cross has redeemed us from the curse of the Law and called us His own!

Church family, there is a joy in knowing that the old man is dead and the new man that we are after we've been born again is a different man. The Gospel is the Good News! It is a happy gospel! I thank God I am saved! I thank God for the Cross! I thank God for the Blood of Jesus! I thank God for the Bible! I thank God for the Holy Ghost! I thank God for the Church! I thank God for the Gospel! I thank God for the Gifts and Fruit of the Spirit!

I thank God for the Joy of the Lord being my strength when my strength fails! I thank God I am saved and my name is written in His book! I thank God that I can trust Him with all that I am and all that I will ever be as I walk with Him! I thank God that Christ Jesus can make Miracles out of Messes! Amen!

And just as Moses was called to deliver Israel from Egypt, so was Christ called to do the same for us! To deliver us out of darkness and into His Marvelous Light! And with the Great Commission in mind, we, as His Church, have been called to do the same! To be a part of delivering a broken and debased humanity from the throws of sin and death and into life abundantly and ever more in Christ Jesus our Lord! Friends, we are all called to share in His glorious call unto His ministry. And with that said, Point #1...

1. When the Lord turns Messes into Miracles, He always Calls Someone to be a Part of His Plan!

- a. Moses was born during one of the most volatile points of history for the Israelites in relation to their slavery in Egypt.
- b. Exodus 1:8-10, “⁸ Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.”
- c. Israel intimidated Egypt’s leadership thus they placed cruel taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens and cruelty to break their spirits to not rise up in revolt. Thus, in the midst of all this conflict, Moses was born for such a time as this.
- d. He was a man born with the destiny of fulfilling the prophetic utterance of his name; He was called to be a deliverer! But it was sin which derailed the life of Moses because of the Mess inside of Moses created a Fugitive.
- e. And the thing was destructive for Moses became the thing that God stabilized to turn a volatile man into a powerful deliverer! But not only does the Lord call people who are not qualified to be a part of His Plan! Point #2...

2. When the Lord turns Messes into Miracles, He almost always Calls the Least Qualified to be a Part of His Plan!

- a. In Exodus 2:11-15, it documents the story of the man called to be a deliverer being overcome by emotions and it was these uncontrolled factors that caused the deliverer to become his own taskmaster. Moses fled into his own place of emotional and mental torment as he sought to reconcile himself with the fact that he had killed an Egyptian.
- b. Exodus 2:11-15, ¹¹ One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. ¹² He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. ¹³ When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, “Why do you strike your companion?” ¹⁴ He answered, “Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid, and thought, “Surely the thing is known.” ¹⁵ When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian. And he sat down by a well.”

- c. Friends, whom shall deliver the deliverer from his misdeeds? And the same can be said of us! Who shall deliver us from ourselves? Church, we all have this flesh that we have to contend with!
- d. The Apostle Paul struggled with this same conundrum found in the Book of Romans 7:22-25, **“²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.”**
- e. Family, we are all in the same boat, we have the same struggles, the same issues, the same strongholds! But I thank God that Paul did continued on in Romans 8:1-4, **“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”**

f. Church, we may have made a mess of our lives but there is an old rugged Cross that is the antidote to our weakness and the Holy Spirit that desires to empower us to serve Jesus! And not only does Christ call the least qualified to be a part of His plan, point #3...

3. When the Lord turns Messes into Miracles, He Always have a Plan to Restore Who and What has been Broken as a Part of His Plan!

- a. When God delivers the deliverer, it was to deliver others. In Exodus 3:6-10, God redirects the course of Moses and causes the anointing to come back into his life.
- b. The Lord declares in Exodus 3:6-10, ⁶ “And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷ Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has

come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”

- c. Family, the anointing did not come back so that Moses could just “enjoy the presence of God” but rather to equip Moses to perform his purpose.
- d. You may feel like you’re just adrift upon the seas of life, but Jesus says you have a charted course. For a Christian to say that they are worthless is likened unto a diamond declaring it has no value.
- e. And like Moses, many of you have found yourselves at different points of life being controlled by difficulties and sins that have knocked you off course. But I am here to tell you that Jesus called you with a holy calling and His word will not return void.
- f. Though the messes that we’ve made have caused us to commit acts that made us to be a fugitive of the Grace of God, Jesus died to remove the stains of your sins, and The Holy Spirit wants to turn the messes into miracles so that you can become a testimony of others who are fighting the messes of life.

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