



Difference Maker: Moses

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Exodus 4:1-17

Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read Exodus 4:1-17*

1. When you think of making a difference in the lives of others, what comes to mind?
2. Describe someone who God has used to make a difference in your life. What about this person made them a "difference maker" in your life?
3. Read Exodus 3:7-10. What is God asking Moses to do?
4. How does Moses respond to God's command? (Hint: Look especially at Exodus 4:1, 4:10, and 4:13. See also Moses' initial response in Exodus 3:11.)
5. In Exodus 4, Moses is 80 years old (see Exodus 7:7). He has a messy past, and he has been living as a shepherd for the prior decades (If it's helpful, spend a few minutes reviewing Moses's past in Exodus 1-3 as a group.) How do you think these realities affected the way Moses heard and responded to God's command?
6. What does God tell Moses, that overpowers Moses's excuses?
7. How does focusing on the presence and power of God change the way we approach our excuses?
8. Spend time as a group creating a list of excuses that people may think of, that keeps them from believing God can make a difference through them.
9. Do any of these excuses "strike home" for you personally?
10. How does knowing God's presence and power change the way you approach this excuse?
11. How have you seen your life / actions make a difference in the lives of others, in a way that serves them and honors God? (Don't just feel like you need to think about "big things"! Consider the small ways you make a difference as well.)
12. Why is it important for followers of Jesus to see themselves as difference makers? (Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 and Ephesians 4:11-12.)
13. What is your biggest take-away from what you've discussed so far? Why did this stand out to you the way it did?