

I'M NOT THE ONE

God will never call you to do something that you can do on your own.

Exodus 3:4–10 – When the Lord saw Moses coming to take a closer look, God called to him from the middle of the bush, “Moses! Moses!” “Here I am!” Moses replied. “Do not come any closer,” the Lord warned. “Take off your sandals, for you are standing on holy ground. I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” When Moses heard this, he covered his face because he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord told him, “I have certainly seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their cries of distress because of their harsh slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and lead them out of Egypt into their own fertile and spacious land. It is a land flowing with milk and honey—the land where the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites now live. Look! The cry of the people of Israel has reached me, and I have seen how harshly the Egyptians abuse them. Now go, for I am sending you to Pharaoh. You must lead my people Israel out of Egypt.”

1. I don't know who I am.

- **Exodus 3:11–12** – But Moses protested to God, “Who am I to appear before Pharaoh? Who am I to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt?” God answered, “I will be with you. And this is your sign that I am the one who has sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God at this very mountain.”

2. I don't know who you are.

- **Exodus 3:13–14** – But Moses protested, “If I go to the people of Israel and tell them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ they will ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what should I tell them?” God replied to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you.”

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3. I don't know how to lead.

- **Exodus 4:1–4** – But Moses protested again, “What if they won't believe me or listen to me? What if they say, “The Lord never appeared to you?” Then the Lord asked him, “What is that in your hand?” “A shepherd's staff,” Moses replied. “Throw it down on the ground,” the Lord told him. So Moses threw down the staff, and it turned into a snake! Moses jumped back. Then the Lord told him, “Reach out and grab its tail.” So Moses reached out and grabbed it, and it turned back into a shepherd's staff in his hand.

4. I don't know what to say.

- **Exodus 4:10–11** – But Moses pleaded with the Lord, “O Lord, I'm not very good with words. I never have been, and I'm not now, even though you have spoken to me. I get tongue-tied, and my words get tangled.” Then the Lord asked Moses, “Who makes a person's mouth? Who decides whether people speak or do not speak, hear or do not hear, see or do not see? Is it not I, the Lord?”

5. I do know someone else is better.

- **Exodus 4:13** – But Moses again pleaded, “Lord, please! Send anyone else.”

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2. **ALTER'd Young Adult Conference:** If you are between the ages of 18–26, don't miss the city-wide young adult conference this Saturday, April 18. This will be a great time to learn and grow together. Use the QR code on the screens to register today.
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4. **Baptism Sunday:** Baptism is the first step of obedience upon placing your faith and trust in Jesus. If you're ready to take this next step and go public with your faith, sign up for baptism on Sunday, April 26: danriverchurch.org/baptism.