

WARM UP QUESTIONS: Have you ever felt incapable of performing a role or task you were assigned to?

READ: Exodus 3:1-10

FOCUS: Making a difference is possible through ordinary people because of an extraordinary God.

OBSERVE: Claims from an ordinary man and the responses from an extraordinary God.

Moses was summoned by God to deliver the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. But Moses was very reluctant because he believed that he was unqualified to fulfil the task that God gave him.

CLAIM #1: I am insignificant. God's response: I (the significant one) will be with you.

- God assured Moses that His extraordinary presence will be with him and that he shall serve God on that mountain when he had brought the people out of Egypt.
- Moses also ignored the fact that he was raised in Pharoah's palace and that he had years of experience as a shepherd in the wilderness.
- CLAIM#2: I am unknowledgeable. God's response: I am the all-knowing one.
 - Moses asked God what to say to the people of Israel when he stood before them.
 - God revealed His Name to Moses and gave him the words to speak. Exodus 3:14-17

CLAIM#3: I am fearful. God's response: I have all authority and power.

- Moses was afraid that the people would not believe that God had sent him. Exodus 4:1
- God enabled Moses to perform miraculous signs to confirm that he had indeed been sent by Him.
- God demonstrates His sovereignty over man and creation through various signs and wonders.

CLAIM#4: I am unqualified. God's response: I am sovereign and can work through anyone.

- In this world where sin has caused sickness and diseases, God is able to work through people with all kinds of incapacities and inadequacies to fulfill his plan and mission. Exodus 4:10
- God values availability more than ability.

CLAIM#5: I am unwilling. God's response: I am willing to work with you.

- Moses was comfortable with what he had been doing for over 40 years and was not willing to change or inconvenience himself. Exodus 4:13-14
- God was willing to work with Moses and his brother Aaron to fulfill His mission. God is willing to work with people despite their weaknesses and reluctance.

REFLECT:

God is able and willing to use anyone who surrenders his/her life to Him. He is an extraordinary God and can fulfill His plan and mission through anyone He chooses.

TAKE ACTION:

This week, surrender all your shortcomings and feelings of inadequacy to the Lord. Practice talking to God in prayer, listening to His voice and obeying what He says.

PRAY:

Lord, thank You for sending Your only son, Jesus to come, die and pay the penalty for my sins, and rise from the dead so I can have the hope of a new life. I willingly surrender all my life to You. Take me and use me to fulfil Your heavenly purpose here on earth. I thank You for the opportunity to partner with You and to make a difference in the lives of others around me. Amen.