

Ex 4:10-12

Then Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." So the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? Have not I, the LORD? "Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say."

Today's devotional verses are from the conversation between God and Moses, as Moses is on mount Herob and sees the burning bush. God speaks with Moses telling Moses that he will be the one God will use to deliver the children of Israel out of Egypt and into the Promised Land.

Moses has many questions as he tries to get out of doing this. This final excuse that we read, Moses says to the Lord that he can't speak very well (slow of tongue), and it is also believed that Moses stuttered when he spoke. Moses couldn't see how God could use someone like him, a slow speaking, stuttering old man 80 years of age.

But one thing I noticed is that Moses never said, "Hey God, how am I suppose to get two million people out of Egypt? I don't have enough carts, or chariots, or food, or water, or anything else." No, Moses never doubted God could do it, but he did doubt that he could do it. Moses knew that God would provide and that he could deliver the children of Israel out of Egypt. But he doubted himself and his own abilities.

We tend to be the opposite, we think we can do anything, but doubt God's provision for what we think we are so capable of doing. Moses was considered the most humble man in the bible (next to Jesus). To be humble is to realize that God can do anything and you can do nothing without Him.

† **John 15:5** *I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.*

So what's the answer to all of this? Trust that God will use you as He calls you. Moses never called himself to deliver Israel, and when he did try with his own abilities (What he learned in Egypt), he messed up by killing a man and had to flee for his life.

† **Exodus 2:11-15** *Now it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out to his brethren and looked at their burdens. And he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his brethren. So he looked this way and that way, and when he saw no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. And when he went out the second day, behold, two Hebrew men were fighting, and he said to the one who did the wrong, "Why are you striking your companion?" Then he said, "Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you intend to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?" So Moses feared and said, "Surely this thing is known!" When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he sought*

to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well.

So, trust in God's ability to work through you, not your own abilities. And don't think just because you have an ability that God has to use you that way. Simply trust in God's ability to work through you and His provisions, as the saying goes, "*Where God guides, He provides*" for He will supply all your needs to accomplish His will.

† **Philippians 4:19** *And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*