## **GO AND LEAD**

## **Exodus 3:1-10**

<u>Introduction:</u> Have you ever been given an assignment that you feel you're totally unprepared or unable to do and look for every reason/excuse why you shouldn't be the one to do it? I think it's safe to suggest we have all been that person at one time.

Did you know Moses was also that person? God called Moses to lead the Hebrew people out of Egypt and Moses attempted to square off again God and refuse.

Here are the five reason Moses gave not to do what he had be selected for (have we ever said these to God?)

- 1. Who am I? Exodus 3:11-12
  - a. You picked the wrong guy!
  - b. God promised to be with him.
- 2. The people forgot God's name. Exodus 3:13-14
  - a. They won't understand why I'm doing this.
  - b. Tell them who I am.
- 3. They won't believe me or listen to me. Exodus 4:1-3
  - a. What do I tell them?
  - b. You show up I'll deliver.
- 4. I don't speak well. Exodus 4:10-12
  - a. I'm slow in speech.
  - b. I will be your mouth.
- 5. Send someone else! Exodus 4:13-14
  - a. I'm not skilled enough.
  - b. Aaron will be your helper.

<u>Conclusion</u>: Moses could not evade the responsibility that God had him for. God provided Moses the tools he needed, the words he used and a helper to assist him (Aaron).

We all know of Moses leading the Hebrew people out of Egypt and receiving the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. He could have disappeared into history with no one ever knowing who he was, if left alone to his own lack of confidence but "Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and deeds." Acts 7:22

We're not asked to be Moses but do we trust God enough **to "go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say"** (Exodus 4:12) in what we do or what we've been asked to do?