MAKING A CHANGE - Moses

Life is full of change. Sometimes, the changes we make are not good. However, don't forget the positive changes you have made. Let's check out a Biblical case study.

Exodus 3:1-6 - Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law. He led the flock to the back side of the desert and came near Mt. Horeb, the mountain of God. The Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a burning bush which was not being consumed. It caught his attention so he stopped to check it out. When God saw that Moses turned aside to look, God called, "Moses, Moses". Moses answered, "Here I am." God said, "This is holy ground; take off your shoes; don't come any closer. I am God of your ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob." Moses hid his face; he was afraid to look at God.

1. Keep in mind that Moses was on the run. He had fled Pharoah and was hiding in the desert boonies. What change (decision) did Moses make to end up in this desert region tending someone else's sheep?
2. Chances are Moses was not out there searching for God. However, God was out there searching for him. How did God get his attention?
3. God knew that Moses grew up as a Jewish boy in an Egyptian society. He knew that even though he was technically Pharoah's grandson, he had been raised by his own mother. Why would the words of God again get his attention? $\qquad$
Hebrews 11:24-25-BY faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharoah's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of $\sin$...
4. He had made a choice earlier in his life. What was it?
5. How do we know that, even in his state of running, he was still sensitive to God? $\qquad$
6. You and I may have had moments in our earlier life when we were exposed to God, and then we drifted into poor decisions. But, in the depths of our hearts, there was still a strange memory of God. Have you had that experience. Explain. $\qquad$

> Exodus 3:7 - The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen the oppression of my people who are in Egypt, and I have heard their cry."
> Exodus 3:10-12 - "Come now, Moses. I will send you to Egypt to bring my people out of there. Moses said, "WHAT?? I am nobody; I could never do that?" God said, "I WILL CERTAINLY BE WITH YOU. Furthermore, I will bring you right back here." Exodus 3:13-22 - "Moses said, "Who should I say sent me?" God said, "Tell them that the great I AM has sent you." "I can see what's going on. I will bring you out of there. I will make them listen to you. I will give you power and ability. I will bring favor. I will send your brother with you."
7. __Y__N Does God see the damage that is happening in our lives?
8. __Y__N Does God hear the pain in our hearts that we have not yet been able to say out loud to anyone?
9. When Moses was facing these changes in his life, what promises did God give to make it happen? $\qquad$
10. What ultimate change did Moses make here?
11. He felt like a failure and a loser. How could he pull this off?
12. When God looked at Moses, what did He see?
13. Moses had to make many other decisions through his travels. Most of them were good. Where did that lead the people of God?
14. Where do you want your good changes to lead you? $\qquad$

