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HERE I AM, LORD

LESSON 3 – MOSES

If you were with us for the second lesson featuring "Abram", I think that we came to an amazing conclusion: God was not looking for results/victory ALL AROUND Abram, BUT RATHER victory/results INSIDE Abram.

Exodus 3:1-4 *Meanwhile, Moses continued tending the sheep that belonged to his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. He led the sheep to the western desert and came to Horeb, God's mountain, where the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flaming fire from the center of a bush. As Moses continued to watch, amazingly the bush kept on burning, but was not consumed. Then Moses told himself, "I'll go over and see this remarkable sight. Why isn't the bush burning up? "When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from the center of the bush, "Moses! Moses! "He said, "Here I am."*

1. From your memory, before the event in these verses happened, what was Moses already dealing with?
 - a. Yes No He found out he was an Egyptian.
 - b. Yes No He found out he was not an Egyptian.
 - c. Yes No He saw much abuse toward the Jewish people.
 - d. Yes No The God of the Jews did not exist.
 - e. Yes No He was a murderer.
 - f. Yes No He dealt with his problems by running away.
2. While he was out in the desert during those 40 years, what vocational choice did he make?

3. What family choice did he make? _____
4. While he was doing his job and living his life (his choices in life):
 - a. What did he see? _____
 - b. What did he do? _____
 - c. What did he wonder or question? _____
 - d. What did God see? _____
 - e. What did Moses hear? _____
 - f. What did Moses say? _____

I HATE TO SAY THIS BUT WHEN GOD MET UP WITH MOSES, MOSES WAS RUNNING AWAY. WHEN GOD CAUGHT UP WITH ME, I WAS RUNNING AWAY FROM HIM.

5. Before Moses said, "Here I am, Lord", he had:
 - a. Yes No Lived in an **evil** country and **had everything** he would ever need.
 - b. Yes No Had **no connection** or involvement **with his true family values.**
 - c. Yes No Had **no goals** except to build cities & produce massive crops for food.
 - d. Yes No **Killed** someone
 - e. Yes No **Ran away** to hide & deny his identity, his crime, and his guilt.

Clarification: It is not clearly known how much he knew about himself in the early years. He was surrounded by the evil Egyptian culture but was raised by his mother.

6. Why did Moses say, "Here I am" instead of "here I am, Lord"

7. Why did God say Moses name twice from the burning bush?

Moses spent 40 years in Egypt being raised in an ungodly place; he spent 40 running away from the ungodly thing he had done (not the ungodly place); he spent his final 40 years leading others to God, and showing that HE CANNOT DO ANYTHING WITHOUT GOD; HE WAS RUNNING TOWARD GOD NOW.

8. Exodus 4:19 - God said to Moses, "Return to Egypt".

Exodus 4:20 - Moses returned to the land of Egypt. __Y __N Is this a "here I am, Lord?"

Exodus 4:20 - Moses took the rod of God. __Y __N Is this a "here I am, Lord?"

Exodus 4:24 - "And it came to pass on the way" __Y __N Did Moses follow through?

Exodus 4:29 - "Moses gathered the Jewish leaders" __Y __N Did Moses follow through?

9. Can a "HERE I AM" include fear, honesty, and resistance:

Exodus 3:11 - "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?" __Y __N Will God tolerate this?

Exodus 3:13 - "Who shall I say sent me?" __Y __N Will God tolerate this?

Exodus 4:1 - What do I do if they won't believe me? __Y __N Will God tolerate this?

Exodus 4:10 - I cannot talk very good. __Y __N Will God tolerate this?

FOR MYSELF PERSONALLY, I CAN REALLY BE SINCERE WHEN I SAY, "HERE I AM, LORD", BUT STILL BE SCARED TO DEATH.

WHY DON'T I JUST BE HONEST? I CAN REALLY BE SINCERE WHEN I SAY, "HERE I AM, LORD", AND YET SAY IN MY HEART, "I DO NOT WANT TO DO THIS". (I sound like a liar.)

10. __Yes __No Do you think God will honor your "here I am, Lord" even if you are struggling and waffling back and forth?

11. __Yes __No God knows what is going on inside me and He is willing to work in me to make my "here I am, Lord" process start happening.

DON'T BLOW WIND AT GOD. IF YOU DON'T MEAN, "HERE I AM, LORD", THEN SAVE YOUR BREATH. IF YOU KNOW YOU ARE WEAK, SINFUL, PROUD, AND INADEQUATE - BUT YOU STILL HONESTLY SAY, "HERE I AM, LORD", - GOD WILL TAKE YOUR HAND AND SAY, "LET'S GET STARTED".

Remember Jesus & Peter's conversation in John 21:15-19?

Jesus said, "Peter, do you LOVE Me?" Peter replied, "Yes, Lord, You know I LIKE You."

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CAN YOU BELIEVE THIS? Jesus said, "I will take you the way you are; follow Me."