

Exodus

Ch 3-4

- Now, as we talked about last week, Moses' life was saved by the generosity of Pharaoh's daughter. And he was able to be nursed by his own mother — then whenever he came of age, he would go to live as Pharaoh's daughter's son, and be a part of the royal family.
- But the writer of Hebrews said: ***“By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.” -Hebrews 11:24-25 (ESV)***
- So, Moses spent his first 40 years, in the land of Egypt, he grew up and was educated in the Palace of Pharaoh. He grew up as royalty...but there was going to have to come a time where he made a choice.

- Most scholars and historians agree that the Pharaoh who ordered the killing of the Hebrew baby boys was Thutmose I
 - And his son, who was severely mentally and physically handicapped wasn't really fit to run the nation of Egypt after him
 - But his daughter, Hatshepsut (hat-shep-soot), had adopted a baby boy that she had found in the Nile River and she named him Moses.
 - Now, whenever Thutmose I died, and Thutmose II assumed the throne, because he wasn't really capable to carry out any royal duties, his sister Hatshepsut was the one acting as regent and was the one really running the country.
 - And because Thutmose II didn't have a successor, the plan was for Moses to be the heir
 - And whenever the time came to make that more official, Moses was to be married to the eldest Royal daughter, but apparently Moses

refused the marriage and refused his right to the throne

- Why? Because he knew that wasn't who he was. He couldn't be Egyptian, he couldn't partake in pagan Egyptian practices, he couldn't worship Egyptian gods
 - There was something within him, Hebrews says, that knew that all of the wealth and pleasures that came with the Royalty of Egypt was all temporary, and what was eternal meant more
- Exodus chapter 2 verse 11 says, ***“One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people.”***
-Exodus 2:11 (ESV)
- Even with all of the Egyptian influence and education that he received, he still knew who his people really were

- This verse says, when he was grown he went out to HIS PEOPLE
- His heart was breaking seeing the burden of slavery they were under
- And then he sees an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, ONE OF HIS PEOPLE
 - And something within him begins to rage, he can feel the calling to do something, to act.
 - He could sense that God had called him to be the deliverer of these people...but he tried to carry out that calling in his own power, and he went about it the wrong way.
- So he sees the Egyptian beating the Hebrew and verse 12 goes on to say: ***“He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.”*** -Exodus 2:12 (ESV)
 - You wanna know a tell for if you're probably going to do something the wrong way...if you look this way and that, to make sure no one else is going to see.

- And Moses thinks that he got away with it! He may not even feel remorseful, he might feel good about himself
- He might be walking around feeling like THE MAN the next day thinking that he just completed step 1 in operation Hebrew deliverance
- But then verse 13 goes on to say: ***“When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, “Why do you strike your companion?” He answered, “Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid, and thought, “Surely the thing is known.” When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian.” -Exodus 2:13-14 (ESV)***
- We go on to learn that in Midian he becomes a shepherd
- So his life goes to the complete opposite extreme here —because in Genesis 46, Joseph tells his brothers to be very vague about their job description because he informs them, ***“... every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians.” -Genesis 46:34b (ESV)***
- So he goes from royalty to an abomination
- Probably thinking that he’s blown it. He felt a calling from God to deliver His people, but he ruined his opportunity...
 - So he makes a new life. And he was comfortable there...he’s content spending the next 40 years of his life shepherding his father in-law’s flocks in the field.
 - It’s a quiet life, not a ton of pressure, he likes his new life and his new routine, but here in chapter 3, God is about to shake things up
- One day while Moses is in the wilderness with the flock, something catches his eye. There’s a bush, that’s on fire...but it’s not burning.

- Moses says, "Well, that's weird....I'ma get a closer look." And when he draws near to the burning bush, verse 4 says,
- ***"When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then He said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And He said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians..." "And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians***

oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" -Exodus 3:4-11 (ESV)

- PRAY
- Have you ever had those times in your life, like Moses did, where you were thinking very highly of yourself, but something happened where you were kind of "brought back to reality?"
- For example, my sophomore year of high school I transferred to a small single A Christian school in Harrisburg, PA. And I found myself starting Varsity on the basketball team.
- Now I wasn't the best player in the team, but being an underclassmen and starting Varsity made me feel like I was the man, or very well on my way to being the man.
- Needless to say I was feeling myself, and at this rate I was probably going to the league or

the very least I was gonna play D-1 basketball somewhere, (in my mind that is)...

- *But then I transferred to a high A public school in VA my junior year, playing in one of the toughest districts in the state.*
 - *And then I found myself pretty much the 12th guy coming off the bench. I realized how good I really wasn't.*
 - *I would only get in the game that year if we were up by 40, or if we needed free throws at the end of the game.*
- *But there was one game where we were playing Petersburg, one of the best teams in the state every year.*
 - *And we were down by 7 with about 2 minutes left in the game, still has a chance, and the coach called my name.*
 - *I'm looking down the bench like, "There's no way he's calling me??" They call me to the front of the bench and tell me I'm going in, and I'm like "really??"*
- *Then I start trying to conjure up the confidence that I had the previous year, "Like yea, yea, ok I'm gonna come in hit a couple 3's, make a couple good plays and we're gonna beat these guys!"*
 - *I turned to one of our assistant coaches, "We're gonna win this game, we're gonna win this game coach." He's loving the confidence, he's hyping me up and pushes me in the game.*
 - *And I sub in, looking up to these guys who are 6'8" 6'9" 6'10" —but I'm confident!*
 - *And in those last 2 minutes....I missed every shot I took, and had a couple of bad turnovers and stupid fouls and we lost handedly....was not a story book ending at all.*
- *But you know why I was in the game??*
Because coach put me in the game—Now there were probably a lot of people questioning his decision to put me in, but me being in that game had nothing to do with my ability or lack

of, I was in simply because coach called my name

- There will be many times in our Christian walk whenever God calls us into something, and we feel like the 12th guy coming off the bench.
 - And we're thinking, *"God, why in the world are you putting me in right now!? All I'm going to do is make a bunch of mistakes, fumble around, and look like an idiot!"*
- But you know why He's calling us? Because He's calls us. — When He calls you, He's not worried about your ability or lack thereof, He wants to put you in simply because He wants to put you in.
 - But whenever He calls, more often than not, instead of just going in and trying— we just come up with a number of excuses why God shouldn't be calling us or why he should be using someone else
- And here in these 2 chapters, that's exactly what Moses is doing. We see God call Moses through a burning bush and we see Moses

making 5 burning Excuses about why God shouldn't be using him, and we see God's responses to him.

- In verse 9, God says that he has seen and heard the affliction of His people and He is going to send Moses to deliver them! However, in verse 11 it says: ***But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" -Exodus 3: 9-11(ESV)***
- Here we see Moses giving his first excuses of
- **EXCUSE #1: WHO AM I?**
- This is a stark contrast from where Moses was in chapter two...he goes from thinking "I'm the man!" to "Who am I?"
- Most of us as humans spend the majority of our lives in the tension of these two perspectives.
 - We go through times in our lives where we are brought really high and think a lot of ourselves— and then we have times where

we are brought low and think very little of ourselves

- And the majority of what we are taught in the world today is how we need to stop thinking so little of ourselves and how we need to build up ourself self-confidence and think of ourselves more highly
- However, having a too high view of self can be a very dangerous place to be—that can lead us to try and take matters into our own hands prematurely which normally leads to bad decisions and more damage
- That's what we saw from Moses in chapter 2
- And it's not that we need to go to the opposite extreme and think very little of ourselves, but we need to think about ourselves less.
- CS Lewis said that was the very definition of humility
- So if we shouldn't be thinking so much about ourselves, what should we be thinking about??

- Moses, says, “Who am I that I should be giving this task??”
- When God responds, He doesn't say, “Oh don't say that about yourself, no you can change the world, you are an amazing leader, you are blessed and highly favored, you can accomplish anything you set your mind to... YOU GOT THIS!”
- That's not what God says, God's response is...
“He said, But I will be with you...-Exodus 3:12 (ESV)
 - This is a whole lot less about who you are and a whole lot more about Who you are with
- This has a similar feel to whenever Jesus gave the great commission in Matthew 28 when He says, ***“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you...” -Matthew 28:19-20a (ESV)***

- Now Jesus is giving this commission to a group of guys who had just run away in fear a few months ago whenever Jesus was arrested, and now he's telling these same scared guys to go into all of the world and preach the Gospel and baptize people
- There's no way these guys are thinking, "Oh, We got this Jesus! Yea, we can do it!" They gotta be thinking, "Who are we??" and before they can make any such excuse Jesus clarifies...
- ***"... And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* -Matthew 28:20b (ESV)**
- You see the difference between my experience with high school basketball and our walk of faith— is that whenever God calls you into the game, He doesn't stand and watch on the side line.
 - He calls you into the game with Him, He's leading the way, He's doing all of the work— you just be where he tells you to be, go where He tells you to go, shoot when He tell you to shoot, and He does the rest.
- Because if you look at the end of verse 12, He says ***...when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."* -Exodus 3:12 (ESV)**
- It's interesting that this Hebrew word for serve is also translated as worship. So God is telling Moses that He wants the people to be free from serving Pharaoh so they can be free to worship God.
 - You see, the point of all of this isn't about Moses or any of us accomplishing something great, the point is about leading people to Worship God.
 - We have to learn to make this less about ourselves and more about Him.
- And we can get to the point where we start to get that and feel a little more confident in this...but then excuse #2 starts to kick in.

- We could be thinking “Ok, we’re supposed to lead people to worship God, it’s not about me....but wait! I don’t know enough about Him! What do I say??”

- In verse 13, ***“Then Moses said to God, ‘If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is His name?’ what shall I say to them?’” -Exodus 3:13 (ESV)***

- Here we see:

- **EXCUSE #2: I DON’T KNOW ENOUGH!**

- Now it is a very fair question to have, especially if we’re supposed to be focusing on the fact that God is with us, it makes sense that we should know who God is.
- But there’s a huge difference between asking the questions and making the excuse.
- And often we caught making the excuses, “I can’t talk to people about God— I’m not a theologian, I didn’t go to school for that...

what if they ask me a question that I don’t know the answer to??”

- Why are we so scared of being in a situation where we don’t have an answer??
 - We feel like we’re supposed to be able to give the perfect answer for every single situation in life...but we’re not always going to be able to, and that’s ok!
 - It’s ok if you’re in a situation and you have to say... *“You know what? That’s a great question, and I don’t exactly know.”*
 - Now, I hope that we wouldn’t leave it there —and try to find out and be prepared for that question in the future or at least a follow up conversation.
 - But it’s ok, to not know everything! I can’t tell you how many times ill get that message of someone asking me— “Hey, what that passage that says this??”
 - You know what I do 9 times out of 10?? Google it! Some people think because I’m a

pastor I should have every chapter and verse reference memorized...but I'm not that smart!

- And so what! I love acts 4, when it says that when they observed the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they knew they had been with Jesus.
- I love the fact that God chose to spread His Gospel, first and foremost, through uneducated— or as the NIV puts it, "unschooled ordinary people."
- And on the flip side, the most educated theologians in the world at that time couldn't recognize who God-in-Person really was when He was right in front of their faces
- One of the most dangerous places to be in your faith is if you get to the point where you think you have God figured out
 - Man, I've come across some people that think they understand God in a way that no one else does—they have Him figured out in a way no one else has before, and that

people don't understand them because they're just so close with God in a way that other people just can't relate to

- And you know what those people are? Dumb...
- "Fools", proverbs would call them—Half of the book of Proverbs can be summed up in this phrase: "The Wise seek wisdom, Fools think they've already found it."
 - And sadly, more often than not, the ones who think they have God figured out, are the ones who end up walking away from the faith all together —because they weren't actually relying on faith for a relationship with God, they were relying on their own knowledge and opinion of who they thought God was.
 - They thought they had Him figured out— but inevitably, whenever they realize their own self induced theology had some holes in it, their whole world goes up in smoke because they just couldn't handle the fact that they can't completely figure God out.

- But none of us can! None of us ever will! We don't have the capacity our finite human minds! His ways are Higher than our ways, His thoughts are Higher than our thoughts
 - Paul quotes twice in Romans and Corinthians, *"Who can know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever instruct Him? Or be His counselor?"*
- Our job is never to figure Him out, our job is to seek Him out.
- ***"Look to the LORD and His strength; seek His face always." -1 Chronicles 16:11***
- ***"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." -James 4:8***
- ***"You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart." -Jeremiah 29:13***
- The amazing thing is, that we may never have Him fully figured out— but He still loves to reveal as much of Himself to us as we can

handle...we'll see more of that later on when we get to chapter 33

- And I know we're giving Moses a hard time here with all of these excuses, but at least He's asking the question!
 - He's asking who exactly are You? Who exactly should I say You Are?
- Now, Moses could be a bit theologically confused, because his mother would have instilled his Hebrew heritage and faith in him the first 3 or 4 years of his life— but then he entered the palace and he's learning about this plethora of Egyptian gods,
 - So when the Egyptians would talk about god they would have to be specific about which god they were talking about
- So Moses could be looking for a more specific name and verse 14 says, ***"God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am.' And He said, 'Say this to the people of Israel: 'I Am has sent me to you.'"*** -Exodus 3:14 (ESV)

- Most scholars agree that the best translation for that phrase is God saying, “I WILL BE THAT I WILL BE”
- If I’m Moses, I’m thinking “....what?”
- God would be saying, “...Exactly.”
- Which specific God are You? “I AM THE GOD, I’m The God over everything, I’m The God That is and That Will Be whatever I need to be in whatever situation I need to be it”
 - “I AM everything you’re not. I AM THE ONE, THE ONLY, THE HIGHEST GOD OF ALL”
 - So all you have to say is “I AM has sent you.”
- God further proves this point when He enacts the 10 plagues over Egypt that we will talk about next week—And the surrounding nations will be stricken with fear when the news of His dominance over Egypt begins to spread
- And even with God explaining all of this to Moses, he still comes with another excuse at the beginning of chapter 4 when it says, **“Then Moses answered, “But behold, they will not**

believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, ‘The Lord did not appear to you.’”

-Exodus 4:1 (ESV)

- Which is **EXCUSE #3: WHAT IF THEY DON’T BELIEVE ME?**
 - Here is something that we as Christians need to remember—It’s that: Success is never defined by another person’s response. Success is defined by how faithful you are to what God has called you to do, day in and day out.
 - This is the philosophy that Mother Teresa tried to live by, she said quote, ***“I do not pray for success. I ask for faithfulness.”***
-Mother Teresa
- It can be very dangerous whenever we start trying to define what success looks like in our walk with Christ—or in our churches
 - We’re called to be faithful, the results are up to Him

- Let me give you an example: There will be times, when God calls you to share the Gospel and your testimony with someone...and you feel like you're just talking to a brick wall. No response.
- Then there will be other times where God will call you to share the Gospel and your testimony with someone and they'll want to give their life to Christ! And it's awesome!
 - However, for you...one endeavor is not more successful than the other. Both were just as successful because you showed the same faithfulness in both cases.
 - And that's important for us because— 1. We'll be so reluctant to share whenever we're getting caught up on how they may or may not respond to us and 2. If they do respond, we'll start to think that we saved somebody.
 - But we can't save anyone. I can't save anyone, I can't change anyones heart, or anyone's ways, only God and His Holy Spirit can do that
- Here we see that God is being clear that the people aren't going to be following and responding to Moses. They're going to be following and responding to God.
- In verses 2-9 of chapter 4— God gives Moses 3 Proofs of His Power
 - The staff: God has Power over the most dangerous and feared species
 - The Leprosy: God has Power over the most dangerous and feared diseases
 - The Water to Blood: God has Power over any other god
 - For the Egyptians the Nile River was the source of all life. And Osiris, the god of the Nile, was the giver of life. So God is showing that what you think leads to life apart from Him only actually leads to death
- So God is showing Moses through all of these examples that it doesn't matter if they believe Moses or not, it matters if they

believe God or not, and His Power over Egypt.

- So Moses is learning— it's not about who you are but Who you're with, he's learning that He is with the Great I Am— and how He has power over absolutely everything!
- But then he still comes with excuse #4:
- In verse 10 it says, ***“But Moses said to the Lord, “Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue.” -Exodus 4:10 (ESV)***
- **EXCUSE #4: I'M NOT TALENTED ENOUGH**
 - “I'm not skilled enough, I'm not good enough, I don't talk good, God!”
 - And if I'm God, after all that He had just showed and told Moses, I would be beating my head against my hands...like “Are you serious right now???”

- And I love God's response in verse 11, ***“Then the Lord said to him, “Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak.”***
-Exodus 4:11-12 (ESV)
 - God isn't looking for the most talented and the most skilled to represent Him—He actually loves to use the untalented and the unskilled because it further shows His power and His glory
 - *That's why He loves using the 12th guy off the bench*
- Dr. Tony Evans said it this way, ***“God didn't choose you to serve Him because He desperately needed your qualifications on His team. He chose you so you could reflect His glory to the world” -Dr. Tony Evans***
- He wants to use each and every one of His people to display His glory. He doesn't want

any single one of His children to live with a passive faith and just watch Him use other people their whole lives.

- He wants to use each and every one of us:
—No matter who we are, no matter how much we know or don't know, no matter what we're good at or what we're not good at
- So often we only wanna focus on our strengths and just operate in them— however, like with Moses, sometimes God wants to operate out of our weakness to further prove that He's the one accomplishing everything
- God knew what Moses wasn't good at. He knew His issues of speech— Whether that was a stutter, some sort of impediment, or just a fear of public speaking we don't exactly know...
- But God knew, and God said *"I'm the one who created you the way that you are." "I'm aware, and I want to use you in this way in spite of it."*

- And its amazing that even though Moses saw this as one of his greatest weaknesses he was remembered in Acts chapter 7, when Stephen gave his speech and said, ***"Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was powerful in speech and action."***
-Acts 7:22 (NIV)
- Only God can take your greatest weakness and insecurity and use it in such a way where it can be remembered as one of your greatest strengths.
- So Moses, now out of arguments, just simply says in verse 13 ***"But he said, "Oh, my Lord, please send someone else." -Exodus 4:13 (ESV)***
 - And here's our final excuse for today, whenever we fall into just saying
- **EXCUSE #5: SOMEONE ELSE WOULD BE BETTER THAN ME!**
 - And you're probably right! Someone else probably would be better!

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- Someone else would be better than ME preaching to you today
- But's not about me, it's not about any of us
- I once heard a quote that says: "the reason a person is insecure is because they are thinking solely of themselves."
- Think about it, who are every single one of those excuses are all about?
 - **Who Am I??**
 - **I Don't Know Enough!**
 - **What If They Don't Believe ME??**
 - **I'M Not Talented Enough!**
 - **Someone Else Would Be Better Than ME!**
- But there are so many things that I should be focused on before I focus solely on myself and my insecurities
 - And I can think of two main ones: And first, I should be focused on the power, and the

glory, and the majesty, and the Goodness of the Great I AM.

- And if I'm focused on all He CAN do, I'm going to think less about what I can't do
- And 2nd: I should care so much more about the fact that there are people in bondage. There are people out there who are hurting and suffering and facing affliction and don't know that God has come to deliver them
 - I should be more focused on them than my own petty insecurities
- Because you know what? All of those insecurities are true, every single one of those excuses have merit!
 - I AM NOTHING, I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH, PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO LISTEN TO ME, I'M NOT TALENTED ENOUGH, AND SOMEONE ELSE WOULD BE BETTER
- It's true! And that should not discourage us, that should free us!

- That should be freeing because I don't have to live under the pressure of living up to all of these man made expectations
- We don't have to drive ourselves out of our minds trying so hard to make ourselves enough— Because we never will be!
- Why do we have such a hard time admitting that??
- I would never have experienced salvation in Christ in the first place if I couldn't to the point where I could admit that I'm not enough, and I need a Savior...so why do I keep trying so hard to prove that I am now??
 - How much more content would we be if we could just admit we're not enough, we're never going to be enough ...and it doesn't matter, because He is!
- HE is the One who is enough, HE is the one who fills in all of the gaps
- That's why I need HIM to be my Savior, that's why I need HIM to call the shots, and lead the way
 - Because all of the praise and all of the pressure belongs to Him, I'm just along for the ride!
 - We can go wherever God calls us to go, and do whatever God calls us to do in this life, because we're not going anywhere without Him....and He's everything we need.
- And we need to understand this as a church, because God is calling you to the same thing that He called Moses to. There is not a person saved by Grace in this room that is exempt from this call.
- And I can't give you the specifics of exactly what it will look like in your life, but I can give you the main idea:
- **God wants to use you, to lead someone through an exodus**

- The same thing that God wanted Moses to share with the people of Israel who were in bondage in Egypt, God wants you to share with those who are in the bondage of sin and separation from God.
- It doesn't matter if its 2 or 2 million, God wants you to be faithful to the calling and leave the results up to Him
- If you look back at verses 7 and 8 if chapter 3, this is what God has done for us and what He calls us to share with others:
- ***“Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people and have heard their cry. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them...” Exodus 3:7-8a (ESV)***
 - Last week we ended walking through most of these principles from the end of chapter 2: God sees, God hears, God Remembers, God Knows—but there is one more added here now:

- **HE HAS COME DOWN:**

- This is what separates Christianity from every other religion in the world
- Every other religion teaches you what you need to do in order to get to god or at least in the good graces of that god...but the message of the Gospel is that GOD CAME DOWN FOR YOU. There was nothing we could ever do to get to Him, so He came to us in the person of Jesus Christ.
- You don't have to try and find God because He already found you...like the old song says, “I once was lost but now I'm found.”
- *This was my exodus...GOD SAW the affliction and that bondage that sin had held me in. GOD HEARD my cry for salvation, HE KNEW my heart of repentance, and HE CAME DOWN to save my soul forever and welcomed me into a relationship with Him.*
- This is the Gospel!:

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- God saw the affliction and the consequences of sin and death in the world.
 - He knew the only way to set humanity free from that bondage was to take the penalty for it upon Himself.
 - So He came down, in the Person of Jesus Christ and allowed His blood to be the final payment for our sin and selfishness and used that cross to bridge the gap of separation between us and God forever.
- But Jesus did not JUST die, He rose again, and ascended into Heaven and sat down at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us, so that now ALL who call upon the name of the Lord will be HEARD by Him and saved through Him.
- If we trust and believe in the Name of Jesus, We are Forgiven, Freed, and Welcomed into His Family
- Many of you can think back to the day that you turned to Him for the first time and he led you through your exodus from sin and into His

Kingdom...and now He is calling you into the game.

- To take that story share it with someone else, so that perhaps He could lead them through their Exodus as well.
- And yes, you may feel like the 12th guy coming off the bench, but you don't have to worry about that, because He is with you, and He's the one in charge of the results.
- So let's just be faithful to that call, leaving all of the pressure on Him, and giving Him all of the Praise.