

Recognizing God

Exodus 3 & 4

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Does every Christian have the potential to do great things in the work of service of Christ? **Yes, they do!**

1) God called Moses to do something that seemed impossible. (3:1-10)

- Moses didn't have enough personal power.
- Moses didn't have enough personal credibility (2:11-15)
- Moses didn't have enough personal giftedness (4:10)

2) God promised to do something that seemed impossible.

- Vs. 3:8
- Vs. 3:10
- Vs. 3:12
- Vs. 3:14
- Vs. 3:20
- Vs. 3:21

God didn't argue with Moses about his giftedness.

God was just asking Moses to show up and do what God said while God would do the heavy lifting.

Paul's Testimony in 2 Corinthians 12

Paul understood that he had insurmountable weaknesses but that it didn't matter BECAUSE his effectiveness in ministry wasn't dependent on his ability but on *God's power* to work through Him.

Paul knew who he was and Paul knew who God was and that is why he did great things...the key to his success was God.

3) God has called us to do impossible things.

- Grow in Christ-like character.
- Evangelize the world.

For application:

Read and **meditate** on and **memorize** Philippians 3:12-13

Evaluate: Have you ever offered God an excuse for not living for Him and serving Him? What were those excuses? Is there a "reason" now you cannot do what He has asked you to do? In your evaluation of your life and ministry, do you see God as GOD? Do you consider that HE wants to work in and through you?

Plan: what is the first thing that you need to attempt based on a right view of God in you?

Prayer: Ask God to help you do what you know He is calling you to do.