

Week 2 | Slaves No More | May 10, 2015

Opening Up:

If I could do anything and I knew I would not fail, I would...

What is a skill, talent, or gift that you do not posses but wish you did?

When you are not good at something, are you more likely to work harder to be good, or to give up and let someone else do it?

Reference: Exodus 3:1-15

Discuss:

- 1. How is God more glorified in your weakness than in your strength?
- 2. There is a difference between knowing about and experiencing the all-consuming power of God. (Hebrews 12:29) When have you experienced the consuming fire of God? (i.e. When have "taken your shoes off because you were on holy ground" or "fallen on your face" before the glory of God?)
- 3. How does experiencing God change the way you experience the problems of life?
- 4. Moses needed to be aware of his own inadequacy before God. Why is facing our inability a prerequisite to experiencing God?
- 5. What do we learn about how God relates to us in verses 3-10? How is this true of Jesus and his love for you? How does knowing this make you feel?
- 6. The object of faith is its power. Moses stresses out over his calling. How do we sometimes wig out over our calling? What does this reveal about the object of our faith?
- 7. How does the gospel confront this statement, "You can do anything if you put your mind to it?"
- 8. How does God coach the doubt of Moses in verse 11 and in verse 12? What is wrong with coaching someone to rely on their strength and abilities and not on Jesus? How can you coach dependency on Jesus in your marriage, with your kids, with a co-worker, or with a friend?
- 9. Explain this statement, "God loves you and affirms you, but he will never deceive you by telling you that you are someone that you are not." Is this comforting to you? How could admitting our weaknesses become our greatest asset?
- 10. Pray.