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## *Devotion for April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

### *Exodus 4:1-18*

**Oftentimes when reading the Bible we hear these astonishing accounts of amazing people that God uses to do marvelous things.** This can seem overwhelming as we compare ourselves. But the reality is they were broken sinful people just like us. Pastor pointed out in a sermon recently that Moses was a murderer. In today's passage of Scripture we see even more human realness from him. God has told Moses how he will be used to save the people of Israel but Moses disagrees. He doesn't think he has the capability, says the people won't listen to him, that he's weak and that he cannot speak well.

Now this can sound like a lot of excuses, but to our human ears we know that oftentimes there are obstacles in our lives that feel insurmountable. It can feel like we're too weak to do the things God has put before us. So in the case of Moses, God does many signs to show He is powerful and He says what He means. It takes Moses awhile to get onboard; I think we can all relate to dragging our heels on the paths God puts before us. God even sends Moses a helper in Aaron, so that the work might continue.

Finally Moses trusts God and begins the journey, though we know Moses will continue to struggle with trusting God and obeying His directions. Unfortunately this is something we all struggle with in our sinfulness. The devil uses our doubts as a foothold, that simple sentence of "Did God really say..." continues to cause destruction to this day.

But, have hope! Despite our sinfulness we are forgiven. We have been promised reconciliation and will spend eternity with our God. We know for a fact Moses is there; we see in front of us the ways in which he sinned but he received that same forgiveness that we do every day.

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