

The Questions God Asks

Part 2

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What Do You Have in Your Hand?

“But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” And God said, “I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.” Moses said to God, “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ Then what shall I tell them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I am has sent me to you.’”

Exodus 3:11-14 NIV

- God’s Mission and His Call on Your Life
- Who are You Depending On?
- Stop Making Excuses

“But Moses protested again, “What if they won’t believe me or listen to me? What if they say, ‘The Lord never appeared to you’?” Then the Lord asked him, “What is that in your hand?” “A shepherd’s staff,” Moses replied. “Throw it down on the ground,” the Lord told him. So Moses threw down the staff, and it turned into a snake! Moses jumped back. Then the Lord told him, “Reach out and grab its tail.” So Moses reached out and grabbed it, and it turned back into a shepherd’s staff in his hand. “Perform this sign,” the Lord told him. “Then they will believe that the Lord, the God of their ancestors—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—really has appeared to you.”

Exodus 4:1-5 NLT

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“So Moses took his wife and sons, put them on a donkey and started back to Egypt. And he took the staff of God in his hand.”

Exodus 4:20 NIV

What Do You Have in Your Hand? Throw it Down!

- Availability
- Ability
- Gifts
- Resources
- Calling

“Until pleasing God and fulfilling His plan for your life is the most important thing to you, your excuses will always be a barrier to His blessing and His purpose.”

-Anonymous

What Things Must You Throw Down? And Not Pick Up!

- PRIDE

“Pride is God’s most stubborn enemy. There is no sin so much like the devil as pride. It is a secret and subtle sin, and it appears in a great many shapes that are undetected and unsuspected.”

-Jonathan Edwards

- PAIN

“Failing is not a disgrace unless you make it the last chapter of your book.”

-Jack Hyles

- FEAR

“I’m not afraid of the devil. The devil can handle me - he’s got judo I never heard of. But he can’t handle the One to whom I’m joined; he can’t handle the One to whom I’m united; he can’t handle the One whose nature dwells in my nature.”

- A. W. Tozer

What is in Your Hand? Throw it Down!