

YOU CAN DO THIS!
EMPOWER HOST RALLY FOR 40 DAYS OF PRAYER
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"The Lord said (to Moses), "I have seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I've heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So now, I am sending YOU to Pharaoh to bring my people out of Egypt." Exodus 3:7 & 10

5 FEARS THAT HOLD US BACK

1. THE FEAR OF INADEQUACY

"BUT Moses said to God, 'WHO AM I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" Ex. 3:11

(TEV) "'I am nobody!. How can I go ...?'"

(NLT) "How can you expect me to lead...?"

(LB) "I'm not the person for a job like that!"

(Mes) "Why me? What makes you think I could ever do that?"

"There is nothing in us that allows us to claim that we are capable of doing this work. The capacity we have comes from God!" 2 Cor.3:5 (TEV)

GOD'S RESPONSE: "I WILL BE WITH YOU!" Ex. 3:12

"The Lord said to Jeremiah, "I knew you before I formed you in your Mother's womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my spokesman to the world." "O Sovereign Lord," I said, "I can't speak for you! I'm too young!" "Don't say that," the Lord replied, "for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you. And don't be afraid of the people, for I WILL BE WITH YOU and I will take care of you." Jer. 1:4-8 (NLT)

2. THE FEAR OF EMBARRASSMENT

"BUT Moses protested, "If I go to the people of Israel and tell them, 'God has sent me to you!' they won't believe me. THEY'LL ASK, 'Which god are you talking about? What is his name?' Then what should I tell them?" Ex. 3:13 (NLT)

GOD'S RESPONSE: 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... This is my name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation.'" Ex. 3:14-15 (NIV)

"Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." Ps. 124:8 (NIV)

"Those who know your name will trust in you." Ps. 9:10 (NIV)

3. THE FEAR OF REJECTION

"BUT Moses protested again, "Look, THEY WON'T BELIEVE ME! And they won't do what I tell them. They'll just say, 'The Lord never appeared to you.'" Ex. 4:1 (NLT)

GOD'S RESPONSE: "Then the Lord said to him, 'What is that in your hand?' 'A staff,' he replied." Ex. 4:2 (NIV)

4. THE FEAR OF COMPARISON

"BUT Moses pleaded with the Lord, "O Lord, I'M JUST NOT A GOOD SPEAKER. I never have been, and I'm not now, even after you have spoken to me. I'm clumsy with words." Ex. 4:10 (NLT)
(CEV) "I can never think of what to say."

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GOD'S RESPONSE: Then the Lord asked Moses. "Who makes mouths? Who makes people so they can speak or not speak, hear or not hear, see or not see? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go, and do as I've told you. I WILL HELP YOU SPEAK WELL, and I will tell you what to say." Ex. 4:11-12 (NLT)

"Don't worry about what you'll say or how you'll say it! The right words will be there; the Spirit of your Father will supply the words." Mt.10:19-20 (Mes)

5. THE FEAR OF COMMITMENT

"BUT Moses said, "O Lord, please send someone else to do it." Ex. 4:13 (NIV)

GOD'S RESPONSE: "Then the Lord became angry with Moses." Ex. 4:14 (NLT)

**WHAT TO REMEMBER WHEN GOD ASKS YOU
TO DO SOMETHING THAT SCARES YOU**

1st HE WILL BE WITH ME!

"Remember that I told you to do this. So don't worry about anything! Don't be anxious or afraid or discouraged, because I, the Lord your God, will be with you every step of the way!" Joshua 1:9

2nd HE WILL DO IT THROUGH ME!

"The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it!" 1 Thes. 5:24 (NIV)