

OVERCOMING EXCUSE ABUSE

From Excuses To Excellence!

Message Notes

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The Limitation Excuse

1. _____ of the ordinary to experience

God's extraordinary

Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God." (Exodus 3: 5-6 NKJV)

Experiencing God's Extraordinary

Listen to God's Counsel for: my excuses, unsolicited opinions, obstacles
Move forward by faith from: my feelings, my fears, my failings

2. _____ from my Limitations to follow

God's leading

And Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever. 14 The Lord will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace." (Exodus 14:13-14 NKJV)

The eternal God *is your* refuge, And underneath *are* the everlasting arms..." (Deuteronomy 33:27 NKJV)



My Next Steps:

- A. Read Exodus 3-4 and 14
- B. Memorize Deuteronomy 33:27
- C. Take a step of faith this week

The Limitation Excuse: to be defeated because of doubts or disability

"God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." (Exodus 3:4 NKJV)

Five Limitation Excuses of Moses

Inward Limitation

"I am not important"

But Moses said to God, "Who *am* I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" (Exodus 3: 11 NKJV)

Upward Limitation

"I don't know enough"

"Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, *when* I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What *is* His name?' what shall I say to them?" (Exodus 3:13 NKJV)

Outward Limitation

"I am not a leader"

"Then Moses answered and said, "But suppose they will not believe me or listen to my voice; suppose they say, 'The LORD has not appeared to you.' (Exodus 4:1)

Awkward Limitation

"I have a disability"

"Then Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I *am* slow of speech and slow of tongue." (Exodus 4:10 NKJV)

Coward Limitation

"I am not good enough"

"But he said, "O my Lord, please send by the hand of whomever *else* You may send." (Exodus 4: 13 NKJV)