

COMING HOME

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Text: Exodus 2:11-15; 3:1-10

Introduction:

A. Moses and his life's aspiration (Exo. 2:11-14)

1. He wanted to be Israel's deliverer
2. He has what it takes to accomplish his aspiration

B. Moses and his poor choices (Exo. 2:11-15)

1. Good aspiration; wrong method (vs. 11-12)
2. Good aspiration; bad timing (vs. 13-14)

C. Moses and his recovery (Exo. 3:1-8)

1. God reminded Moses that He has not forgotten him (vs. 4)
2. God gave Moses a new opportunity (Exo. 3:9-10, 13-14)

Conclusion:

TABLETALK QUESTIONS

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1. Have you ever been in a time of crisis or deep sorrow, yet people all around you were completely unaware of what you were going through? How did that make you feel? How did you respond?
2. Read Exodus 3:1-7 and Psalm 56:8. How does it make you feel to know that during times of crisis or sorrow, despite your feeling that no one is aware, God was keeping record of every tear and sorrow?
3. Read Exodus 3:8-9. For us, as we wait for God to act in our own lives, how can we remind ourselves of His faithfulness?
4. Read Exodus 3:10-20. In their suffering, what would Israel have forfeited had they stopped believing God was with them?
5. Read Phil. 4:7 and 1 Peter 1:8. What will it take for you to live with this constant awareness? Think for a few moments and share your practical ideas with one another of how to be mindful of God’s presence every day and receive the blessings and benefits it offers us.

Reflect

One of the most powerful examples of God’s awareness of our pain is from Jesus Himself. In John 11, Jesus grieved with the family of Lazarus. He shared their tears. Just as Jesus’ presence and empathy were no doubt powerful in the lives of Lazarus’s family, our presence could do the same for someone in our own life.

Who do we know that needs the gift of presence? Who could we cry with and by doing so show that we are aware of their suffering? Could we be a living evidence that God sees their suffering? Can God use our presence, our empathy, to comfort, cheer, and encourage others? He can. We have only to take the step of becoming aware of the suffering around us. Although we may not be able to deliver them, we can be present with them