Let My People Go
I Will Work Through You
Exodus 4:10-17

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We see God work through us best when we…

We see God work through us best when we…

acknowledge the obstacles

Exodus 4:10 NIV

Moses said to the LORD, “Pardon your servant, Lord. I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue.”

We see God work through us best when we . . .

acknowledge the obstacles

as Moses did culturally

Exaggerated humility

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. . this exaggerated humility (was) often employed in situations where one is appealing for help or mercy from someone else or showing one's mannerly self-deprecation at being given a great assignment.

Douglas K. Stuart

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Examples in Scripture

Saul, David, Solomon, Hazael, Jeremiah, Paul

We see God work through us best when we . . .

acknowledge the obstacles

as we can do confidently

- Equipped with God's values for guidance
- Employing our minds to choose

We see God work through us best when we . . .

avoid obstinacy (“you limited me by . . . “)

We see God work through us best when we . . .

act like an overcomer

Exodus 4:11 NIV

The LORD said to him, “Who gave human beings their mouths? Who makes them deaf or mute? Who gives them sight or makes them blind? Is it not I, the LORD?”

We see God work through us best when we . . .

act like an overcomer

- Serve according to our design (Matthew 25) or even our disabilities (John 9) . . .

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act like an overcomer

- Serve according to our design (Matthew 25) or even our disabilities (John 9) . . .
- Strengthened by our Designer

> "Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say" (Exodus 4:12)

We see God work through us best when we . . .

abandon opposition

Exodus 4:13-14 NIV

But Moses said, “Pardon your servant, Lord. Please send someone else.” Then the LORD’s anger burned against Moses and he said, “What about your brother, Aaron the Levite? I know he can speak well. He is already on his way to meet you, and he will be glad to see you.”

We see God work through us best when we . . .

abandon opposition

- So we may **experience God's best**

  Our plans may have problems

  His plans are perfect for his purposes

We see God work through us best when we . . .

abandon opposition

- So we may **experience God's best**
- So we **express our trust**

Thomas Obadiah Chisholm

Poet, teacher, editor

1866 - 1960

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abandon opposition

I must not fail to record here the unfailing faithfulness of a covenant-keeping God and that He has given me many wonderful displays of His providing care, for which I am filled with astonishing gratefulness.

Thomas Chisholm, 1941

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"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Introduced at Billy Graham

London Crusade 1954

We see God work through us best when we . . .

abandon opposition

Great is our fickleness . . . **great is Thy faithfulness.**

We may give up . . . **but our God cannot.**

We may grow weary . . . **but our God cannot.**

We may vacillate . . . **but our God cannot.**

We may disappoint ourselves . . .

but our God cannot disappoint anyone.

We may fail a thousand times . . .

but our God cannot fail . . . not even once.