

PURPOSEFUL LIMITATIONS

Exodus 4:1–17 | Community Group Discussion Guide

Big Idea: God uses our limits for His purposes.

1. Moses gave God three different reasons why he wasn't the right person for the job — "they won't believe me," "I'm not a good speaker," and finally, "just send someone else." Which of those three feels most familiar to you? What does your version of "send someone else" sound like?
2. God's response to Moses' speech limitation wasn't "I'll fix you" — it was "Who made your mouth?" What does it do to you personally to hear that God claims ownership not just over your strengths, but over your limitations too?
3. Our culture tends to treat limitation as a problem to be solved or a life not worth living. Where do you see that message showing up in your own life — in how you think about yourself, or how you think about others?
4. The sermon drew a contrast between Moses and Paul. Moses fought his limitations and tried to negotiate his way out. Paul learned to boast in his weaknesses because he experienced God's power showing up in them (2 Corinthians 12:9). Which posture are you currently living in — Moses or Paul? What would it look like to move toward Paul's posture this week?
5. What is the specific limitation you most often use as a reason you can't do what God might be asking of you? What would it look like to place that limitation in God's hands — like Moses placing the staff on the ground — and trust him with what happens next?