



believe

THE I AM SAYS I CAN

“I can do all things through Christ that  
strengthens me” Phil 4:13



# John Wesley's Rules of Conduct

- Do all the good YOU CAN,
- By all the means YOU CAN,
- In all the ways YOU CAN,
- In all the places YOU CAN,
- At all the times YOU CAN,
- To all the people YOU CAN
- As long as ever YOU CAN!!!!

# You must answer these questions

- What is keeping you from believing?
- What is holding you back?
- What adversities are staring you down
- What are the hurdles you must leap over?
- Who is going to pull you through?
- Who will carry you on your back when you cant walk?
- Who will speak for you when you can whisper?
- Who will pick up your baton and help you win?

- Character is always revealed the greatest in the midst of adversity
- Obedience is always given a chance to retreat in the midst of adversity
- Faith is always challenged by fear in the midst of adversity
- Trust is always questioned in the midst of adversity
- Crisis always occurs at the point of change in the midst of adversity

# Here lies the call of YOU CAN

- Exodus 3: 1-12 The Burning Bush
- Vs 10 “Come now, and I will send you to Pharoah, that you may bring forth my people, the Isralites, out of Egypt..”

# The “EXCUSE” of “I can’t”

- Vs. 11 “ and Moses said to God, “Who am I , that I should go to Pharoah and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”
- The commission cancels the I can’t
- Vs 12 God said, “I will surely be with you!”
- The I AM said YOU CAN so that you will do!

# What held Moses back?

- The same weak excuses that Moses experienced are the same ones the enemy uses today
- He questioned his own identity
- He questioned his own awareness
- He questioned his own position
- He questioned his own place
- He questioned his own purpose
- He even questioned GOD!



- “Sometimes the questions are complicated and the answers are simple.” Dr. Seuss
- “We’re not necessarily doubting that God will do the best for us; we are wondering how painful the best will turn out to be.” C. S. Lewis

# What were His Excuses?

- Excuse No. 1: “Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” (verse 11).
- God’s reply: “I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I that have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain” (verse 12).
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- Excuse No. 2: “Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, “The God of your fathers has sent me to you,” and they ask me, “What is his name?” Then what shall I tell them?” (verse 13).
- God’s reply: “I am who I am” (verse 14).
- The Jews always recognized I AM as the name that distinguished the true God from false gods. There would be no mistaking who would send Moses on his mission.

- **Excuse No. 3:** “What if they do not believe me or listen to me?” (Exodus 4:1).
- **Gods Reply** was to work through Moses to turn a staff (or rod) into a snake, to make Moses’ hand leprous and then healed it, and to turn water into blood.
- The Staff was the rod of correction for Moses. The staff became the voice of the Lord through a voice of weakness

- Excuse No. 4: “O 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” (verse 10 ).
- God’s reply: “Who gave man his mouth? Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say” (verses 11, 12).

- Excuse No. 5: “O Lord, please send someone else to do it” (verse 13).
- God’s reply: “What about your brother, Aaron?” (verse 14).
- Don’t ever through lack have God lives out his dreams through your children, your friends, or relatives because you bowed to fear and lack of courage.
- \*\*\*\*Obedience always paves the wave for the miraculous\*\*\*

- His lack of self awareness: I Thes: 5:6” let us be alert and self controlled.”
- His lack of knowing God: Psalm 46:10 “ be still and know that I am God”
- His lack of trust: Psalm 125: 1-2
- His Lack of self confidence: Proverbs 3:26 for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared.”
- His lack of courage : Joshua 1:6

- Excuses are the tools with which persons with no purpose in view build for themselves great monuments of nothing. ~Steven Grayhm
- Difficulty is the excuse history never accepts. ~Edward R. Murrow
- You and I need to develop an infinite capacity to ignore what others say can't be done! We need to distance ourselves from the pouters and doubters. Mountain moving faith comes from a decision of I CAN!
- Faith moves the mountains that doubt creates!
- Excuses are discounted but never discontinued! **God wants to execute the excuses today!**



# What Does God Promise Moses?

- Presence
- Permission
- Power
- Protection
- Partnership
- Provision