

## BIBLE STUDY

Exodus 3: 7-12; 4:1-2a

Then the Lord said, "I've clearly seen my people oppressed in Egypt. I've heard their cry of injustice because of their slave masters. I know about their pain. I've come down to rescue them from the Egyptians in order to take them out of that land and bring them to a good and broad land, a land that's full of milk and honey, a place where the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites all live. Now the Israelites' cries of injustice have reached me. I've seen just how much the Egyptians have oppressed them. So get going. I'm sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I to go to Pharaoh and to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

God said, "I'll be with you. And this will show you that I'm the one who sent you. After you bring the people out of Egypt, you will come back here and worship God on this mountain."

Exodus 3:7-12 CEV

Then Moses replied, "But what if they don't believe me or pay attention to me? They might say to me, "The Lord didn't appear to you!"".

The Lord said to him, "What that in your hand?"

Exodus 4: 1-2a CEV

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION (from **Questions God Asks Us** by Trevor Hudson, Upper Room Books: 2008)

1. What is your favorite excuse to avoid the challenges of trying to make the world a better place?
2. Name one ability that others value and appreciate in your life.
3. Describe one resource that you bring to others because of your unique life experience.
4. How would you like to have God use you to make a creative difference in our world?