



Rock Church

Pastor Miles McPherson | Finding Freedom | April 26, 2020

### ***D12 Monthly Focus for April: Serves With Humility***

#### **Sermon Application from Sunday's Message:**

On Sunday 4/26, Pastor Miles shared how it is easy for us to settle for what life bring us rather than pursue God's calling to all that He has for our lives. God has gifted us with exactly what we need to fulfill the role that He has for us. In fulfilling God's call on our lives, we must follow these four steps: We need to KNOW GOD, FIND FREEDOM, DISCOVER OUR PURPOSE, and, finally, we need to MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

#### **Take time to read through the following statements and discuss the questions below.**

1. As a group, read the following statement – “We denounce the lies that accuse God of being a fraud, and I declare that He is independently powerful, faithful, and loving.”
  - Read Exodus 3:13-14. In these verses, God calls himself, “I am” or “Yahweh.” This is God's personal name and God will rescue His people Israel later on in the book of Exodus by miraculous acts. Today, God has shown Himself that He is the true God by sending His son Jesus Christ to die for the sins of man so that we could live eternally with God through belief in Jesus. As believers in Jesus, we have been empowered with the Holy Spirit.
  - Are you struggling at all with your belief in God and that He wants a personal relationship with you? Do you struggle understanding the Bible and applying what it says to your life? What can you do personally to help you with your belief and trust that God is the true God and His desire for you to believe and trust in Him?
2. As a group, read the following statement – “I denounce the lies that doubt the credibility of God's calling on my life as being false or temporary, and I declare that God has validated my Kingdom assignment with spiritual power.”
  - Read Exodus 4:1-5 – In this passage, Moses questions if the Israelites will believe that God has appeared to him. God shows Moses to throw his staff on the ground and it will turn into a snake and when Moses grabs the snake by the tail it will become a staff again so that the Israelites will believe that the Lord appeared to Moses.

- What has God called you to do? How has he spoken to you about your situation? Are you doubting God's plan for your life? Do you believe that other Christians doubt God's plan for your life? Why is it important to trust God and the instruction that He has given you above your opinion, or others opinion?
- 3. As a group, read the following statement together: "I denounce the lies that place doubt on my being gifted enough to make a difference, and I declare that God has supernaturally equipped me to fulfill my purpose."
  - Read Exodus 4:10-12. God encouraged Moses to fulfill his calling by being with him regardless of his ability.
  - What are some of the lies that you have told yourself about your gifts and your purpose? Those lies are not from God. Spend time in your group praying for, encouraging, and affirming each other to use the gifts and the supernatural calling that God has for your lives.

#### **Next Steps:**

- **Serve the community!** Visit <https://www.sdrock.com/ministries/disaster/volunteer/> for serving opportunities.
- **Text INFO to 52525 to learn more about how to take the LIFE Class and to take the Spiritual Gifts Test.**

**Monthly Memory Verse: Mark 10:45 – “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”**

**This Week's Bible Reading** / The Bible Project Videos

1 Chronicles 1-22: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/1-2-chronicles/>

Proverbs 14: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/proverbs/>

