



IN YOUR HAND

In Exodus 3-4, God calls Moses to go and free Israel from slavery. Moses is very unsure that he is the right guy for the job. He tried this once before, ended up killing an Egyptian and now the 'prince of Egypt' is a lowly shepherd hiding in the desert.

A shepherd's staff was in Moses' hand. A symbol of his failure as a prince, his rejection by the Israelites, his mistakes before God.

'Moses objected, "They won't trust me. They won't listen to a word I say. "They're going to say, "God? Appear to him? Hardly!" So God said, "What's that in your hand?"' (Ex 4:1-2, MSG)

What is in your hand? On the picture below, write words that represent your weaknesses, your regrets, times when people have rejected you, or other reasons that might disqualify you from being used by God.



Amazingly, God takes this staff, this symbol of Moses' failure, and uses it as a way of showing his power and saving the Israelite people. (see Exodus 4:3-4, 9:23, 10:13, 14:16, 17:5, 9...)

God can take even your mistakes and weaknesses, and use them to reveal himself to the world through you. Spend some time asking God how he wants to use 'what is in your hand' to bring him glory. Write what you hear and your response around the hand.

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