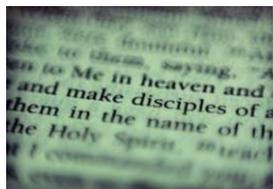


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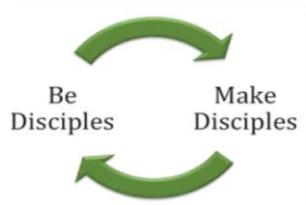
## Overcoming Excuses to Help Us Be More Evangelistic



**Evangelistic** work is probably one of the hardest works to be involved with at the local congregation. It is difficult because we must deal with individuals who are entrenched in denominationalism, egotism, humanism, and many other "isms" in existence.



Since the work is sometimes difficult, Christians will offer excuses as to why not be involved with this wonderful work. As a matter of fact, many excuses we use today to keep us from doing the Lord's work are the same excuses Moses used to keep him from fulfilling his duties.



First, Moses said, "Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt" (Ex. 3:11)? God responds by telling Moses that He would be with him. Today, we are helping people leave the slavery of sin into freedom in Jesus. God is with us as we help people escape the clutches of sin.

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Second, Moses said, "Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you: and they shall say to me, What is his name? What shall I say unto them" (Ex. 3:13)? God responds by saying, "I AM THAT I AM. Thus shalt thou say..." (Ex. 3:14). Evangelistic work is as simple as saying what God has already said. We must have an understanding of His word so that we can say what God has said. We also offer practical classes to help members become familiar with what God said when it comes to evangelism.

Third, Moses said, "But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice" (Ex. 4:1). The Lord then turns Moses' rod into a serpent to exhibit His power to Moses. Every time we read the Scriptures, we should see the power of God. Our concern is not whether people will believe or hear us, the concern is whether or not we are obedient to God by sending forth His message.

Fourth, Moses said, "I am not eloquent ... but I am slow of tongue" (Ex. 4:10). God responds by telling Moses that He will teach Moses what to say. God is still instructing us today through His word. We may not be eloquent speakers

but God's word is eloquent and powerful enough to transform the roughest of sinners.

Finally, Moses tells God to send somebody else. God responds in anger to Moses and tells him Aaron will go with him (Ex. 4:13,14). We all are here as a support to one another when it comes to the work of evangelism. Everyone can play a role to ensure the gospel is being permeated throughout our city and the world. Do not be afraid or ashamed to look for an "Aaron" who can be a partner to help in the work of evangelism.

God commissioned Moses to appear before Pharaoh and did not accept any of his excuses. We have a similar commission "to go into the world." God will not accept any of our excuses, but He will always provide an answer and a way to help us fulfill His mission in teaching the gospel. - K.A. Pugh