Exodus 3:22 "Every woman is to ask her neighbor and any woman living in her house for articles of silver and gold and for clothing, which you will put on your sons and daughters. And so, you will plunder the Egyptians."

Exodus 4:1 "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, "The Lord did not appear to you?"

How can we apply this lesson to our life?

A. We need to be <u>available</u> when God gives us an assignment.

Exodus 3:4 "When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

B. We need <u>assurance</u> from God to fulfill the assignment.

- 1. We say, "I can't do this <u>for You</u>." And God says, "Then let Me do it <u>through you</u>!"
- 2. We say, I don't <u>know enough</u>." And God says, "You <u>know Me</u>. That's enough."
- 3. We say, "No one will <u>respect</u> me." God says, "That's not important. What is important is that they <u>respect</u> <u>Me</u>."
- 4. We say, "I don't have <u>the ability</u>." God says, "My grace is sufficient; It's <u>My ability</u> that counts."
- 5. We say, God, send <u>someone else</u>." And God says, "This is not a request." – David Jeremiah Study Bible Notes, p 81.

Isaiah 41:10 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

C. We need to take <u>action</u> and fulfill God's assignment.

Exodus 4:20 "So Moses took his wife and sons, put them on a donkey and started back to Egypt."

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John 1:18 "No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is Himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made Him known."

Matthew 16:13b "... Who do men say the Son of Man is?"

Matthew 16:14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

Matthew 16:15b "But what about you?" He asked, "Who do you say I am?" "

Matthew 16:16 "Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Hebrews 11:23 "By faith, Moses' parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king's edict."

Acts 7:22 "Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was powerful in speech and action."

Acts 7:25 "Moses thought that his own people would realize that God was using him to rescue them, but they did not."

Exodus 2:13 "Why are you fighting your fellow Hebrew?"

Exodus 2:14 "Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?

Hebrews 11:24 "By faith, Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. ^[25] He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time. ^[26] He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward."

I. God <u>contacted</u> Moses.

A. God <u>came</u> to Moses at Mount Horeb.

Exodus 3:1 "Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the desert and came to Horeb, the mountain of God."

B. God <u>caught</u> the attention of Moses.

Exodus 3:2 "There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up."

Exodus 3:3 "So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

Exodus 3:4 "When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

C. God <u>commanded</u> Moses to remove his sandals.

Exodus 3:5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

Exodus 3:6 "Then he said, "I am the God of your father,^[a] the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God."

II. God was concerned for the Israelites.

A. He <u>saw</u> the misery of the Jewish people.

Exodus 3:7 "The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering."

Exodus 1:11 "... put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh."

Exodus 1:13 "And worked them ruthlessly. ^[14] They made their lives bitter with hard labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their hard labor the Egyptians used them ruthlessly."

B. He sent Moses to lead Israel out of Egypt.

Exodus 3:8 "So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites."

Exodus 3:9 "And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them."

Exodus 3:10 "So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

III. God gave <u>courage</u> to Moses so he would fulfill his mission.

A. God promised to be present.

Exodus 3:11 "But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

Exodus 3:12a "And God said, "I will be with you."

B. God <u>previewed</u> the result of his trip.

Exodus 3:12b "... And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain."

C. God provided His powerful name.

Exodus 3:13 "Moses said to God, "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?"

Exodus 3:14 "God said to Moses, "I Am WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I Am has sent me to you.'"

John 8:58 "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"

Exodus 3:15 "God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.' "This is my name forever; the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation."

D. God prepared Moses with instructions.

1. The Lord gave the proper message for Israel.

Exodus 3:16 "Go, assemble the elders of Israel and say to them, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—appeared to me and said: I have watched over you and have seen what has been done to you in Egypt."

Exodus 3:17 "And I have promised to bring you up out of your misery in Egypt into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites—a land flowing with milk and honey."

2. The Lord gave the precise message for Pharaoh.

Exodus 3:18 "The elders of Israel will listen to you. Then you and the elders are to go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us. Let us take a three-day journey into the wilderness to offer sacrifices to the LORD our God.'

3. The Lord predicted Pharaoh's response.

Exodus 3:19 "But I know that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless a mighty hand compels him."

4. The Lord presented his potent response.

Exodus 3:20 "So I will stretch out my hand and strike the Egyptians with all the wonders that I will perform among them. After that, he will let you go."

5. The Lord assured Moses of future provisions.

Exodus 3:21 "And I will make the Egyptians favorably disposed toward this people, so that when you leave you will not go empty-handed."