

Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

“Here Am I . . . Send Someone Else” – Exodus 4:10-17

I. Moses and his objections to God’s will.

A. Five in number.

1. 3:11 _____
2. 3:14 _____
3. 4:1 _____
4. 4:10 _____
5. 4:14 _____

B. The Text

1. Exodus 4:10-17

II. Exposition

A. Verse 10

1. Moses as a man with a speech deficiency.
2. Hebrew meaning.
3. Speculation on nature of impediment.
4. Key point – side stepping of God’s will.
 - a. Not unusual
 1. Isaiah 6:5
 2. Jeremiah 1:6
 3. Jonah 1:3

B. Verse 11

1. God as sovereign over disease.
2. Note connection to ministry of Jesus.
 - a. Matthew 11:4-5
3. Moses had no right to object to how God made him.
 - a. John MacKay.

C. Verses 12-13

1. Imperative command – Note double usage of the personal pronoun “I”.
2. “Send whom you wish” – a subtle form of resistance.

D. Verses 14-17

1. God is slow to anger, but he does become angry.
 - a. Exodus 34:6; Psalm 103:8-9
2. Aaron provided as mouthpiece.
 - a. Levitical lineage cited.
 - b. Ancient Near East background
 1. U. Cassuto
3. The staff, verse 17.
 - a. God will wage war with Egypt with no human arms.
 - b. War shift in New Testament – Now, a spiritual battle with the powers of darkness.

III. Points for Reflection.

- A. Eloquence in speech is useful but not essential in proclaiming the gospel.
- B. Be very careful in lamenting over how God made you.
- C. Is it “Here am I; use me” or “Here am I; send someone else”?