

When It's Time to Change

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Often when we think of spring, we think of new birth or transformation. Whether it's the new year, a new job, a new romance or a new direction, spring brings a breath of fresh air. In the church, we often think of Jesus's rebirth this time of year, because of Resurrection Sunday or Easter Sunday, whatever you call it, because Jesus made the biggest change of all, from dead to alive.

While we focus on Spring, the truth is that God brings positive change in our lives at any time of the year. He starts a new career, brings new understanding, helps us grow in maturity and there is no telling when that will happen. You may feel those days are far ahead or maybe you've been waiting for so long that you think you missed it and it can never happen for you, but that is FAR from the case.

Moses was the leader that God used to lead the Israelites out of the captivity in Egypt. He had had his shot, when he was a member of the Egyptian royal family and God put him there, in his prime, well-respected and he seemingly lost his temper and threw it all away. For 40 years, he lived in the wilderness as a shepherd, working for his in-laws at a role that was far beneath royalty in Egypt...it seemed like the ultimate demotion. Moses may have felt like he was marking time, haunted by what could have been and waiting until the end of his life...but God had other ideas, like He often does.

God decided that at 80 years old, Moses was finally old enough for the biggest challenge of his life. A task that would define his destiny, just when anyone else was gearing down for the finish line. You see, when it's time for God to make a change, He doesn't need your ability or vitality, he just needs your willingness and availability, because His power will do the rest.

We often feel like our greatest achievement presents itself when we are most capable of completing it, but the reality is that our greatest achievement often presents itself when we are most willing to obey. Our time to change isn't based on our capacity, but our incapacity, when we've become too wise, too smart or just too tired to fight Him anymore. It's at that moment God says "That's what I've been waiting on and finally, you are ready, and it's time to change." My prayer for us all is that we come to that point before it's too late, and there's something left for God to apply His power to and show us all what change really is.