

GOAT'S Part 2: Overcoming Insecurity

"Do not be **overcome** by evil, but **overcome** evil with good." Romans 12:21 NIV

✓ Abandonment

"Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile." Exodus 2:1-3 NIV

✓ Murder

"One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. Looking this way and that and seeing no one, **he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.**" Exodus 2:11-12 NIV

✓ Rejection

"The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, "Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?" The man said, "**Who made you ruler and judge over us?** Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?" Exodus 2:13-14a NIV

✓ Displacement

"Then Moses was afraid and thought, "What I did must have become known." When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but **Moses fled from Pharaoh** and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well." Exodus 2:14b-15 NIV

✓ Insecurity

"Moses agreed to stay with the man, who gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses in marriage. Zipporah gave birth to a son, and Moses named him Gershom, saying, "**I have become a foreigner in a foreign land.**" Exodus 2:21-22 NIV

“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 wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 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. So Moses thought, “I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up.” 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.” “Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.”” Exodus 3:1-5 NIV

1. God adopts you.

*Then he said, “**I am the God of your father**, 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.” Exodus 3:6 NIV*

2. God accepts you.

*“But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” And God said, “**I will be with you**. 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.”” Exodus 3:11-12 NIV*

3. God gives you purpose.

*““**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. 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.”” Exodus 3:16-17 NIV*

4. God blesses you.

*““And I will make the Egyptians favorably disposed toward this people, so that when you leave **you will not go empty-handed**. 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 3:21-22 NIV*

5. God empowers you.

“Moses said to the Lord, “Pardon your servant, Lord. I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue. The Lord said to him, “Who gave human beings their mouths? Who makes them deaf or mute? Who gives them sight or makes them blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say.”” Exodus 4:10-12 NIV