Title: When God starts moving

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# For God to start moving –

For God to do anything on the earth... He needs a human.

#### When God wanted to:

- create a covenant people, He called and raised Abraham
- save His people from the oppression in Egypt, He raised up Moses
- His people to enter the promised land. Joshua stepped up to the plate

#### When:

- the priesthood was cut off from heaven, He raised a young boy named Samuel
- Goliath threatened to humiliate God's people, God already had prepare a David.

#### To:

- prepare God's people for the coming of the Messiah, he raised up John the Baptist
- take the gospel to the nations of the world He use a Paul, who previously was a persecutor of the church

Jacob was a cheater, Peter had a temper, David had an affair, Noah got drunk, Jonah ran from God, Paul was a murderer, Gideon was insecure, Miriam was a gossiper, Martha was a worrier, Thomas was a doubter, Sara was impatient, Elijah was moody, Moses stuttered, Zaccheus was short, Abraham was old, and Lazarus was dead.... God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called

### When God use people:

- He calls them
- He prepares them
- He empowers them
- He is glorified through them

## God meets you

- when you are down and out
- by giving you a fresh revelation of who He is.

Matt 28:16-20 (NKJ) <sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them <sup>17</sup> When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup> "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

### 1. Obedience to God will bring you in step with Him and His purposes

Matt 28:10 (NKJ) Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."

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**Luke 5:1-10 (NKJ)** <sup>1</sup> So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God... <sup>3</sup> Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. <sup>4</sup> When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." <sup>6</sup> And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" <sup>10</sup> ...And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men."

A Fishing Miracle

# 2. He gives them a new and fresh revelation of who He is

Matt 28:17 (NKJ) When they saw Him...

The clearer your revelation of who He is, the more you will be in step with Him, the more you will obey Him.

Josh 5:13-15 (NKJ) <sup>13</sup> And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, a Man stood opposite him with His sword drawn in His hand. And Joshua went to Him and said to Him, "Are You for us or for our adversaries?" <sup>14</sup> So He said, "No, but as Commander of the army of the LORD I have now come." And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshiped, and said to Him, "What does my Lord say to His servant?" <sup>15</sup> Then the Commander of the LORD'S army said to Joshua, "Take your sandal off your foot, for the place where you stand is holy." And Joshua did so.

### 3. They worship what they see.

Matt 28:17 (NKJ) ... they worshiped Him...

**Gen 22:1 (NKJ)** <sup>1</sup> Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

**Gen 22:7-8 (NKJ)** <sup>7</sup> But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together.

**Gen 22:12-14 (NKJ)** <sup>12</sup> And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me." <sup>13</sup> Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup> And Abraham called the name of the place, THE-LORD-WILL-PROVIDE; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of The LORD it shall be provided."

Worship makes the impossible possible.

# 4. He gave them their marching orders.

**Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)** <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

- All authority has been given to Me
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- Go in My all authority
- Disciple every nation in My all authority
- Baptize them in My all authority
- Teach in My all authority
- I am with you always in My all authority
- Even to the end of the age I have all authority