



Key Passage: Exodus 2:11-15; 3:1-4:17

Core Truth: People who comeback, give back.

- ⏪ Moses sins and hides it from others.
- ⏪ Moses accuses himself in the wilderness.
- ⏪ Moses excuses himself from God's calling.
- ⏪ Moses accepts God's forgiveness and gives in to His calling.

Prompt: Before showing the video, see if you students are familiar with the phrase “skeleton in a closet.” Ask them to give a definition and an example, although not necessarily a personal confession. Read Psalm 32:1-5 and present King David as one example of showing his sinful bones to God.

Play: Video of Jim Brown, “Coming Clean”

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Process: Select from the following questions to help students **remember**, **rekindle** and **reengage**.

- ⏪ The Scriptures are filled with people who sinned, but served God regardless. Jim will focus on Moses. **Who are other biblical characters who sinned, but served God regardless?**
- ⏪ **Read** Exodus 2:11-15.
- ⏪ **How does Moses' backstory** (see Exodus 2:1-10) **explain (not excuse) his murderous actions?**
- ⏪ After Moses was called out by a fellow Hebrew for committing murder, he runs to hide his sin from others. Jim said, “We often disqualify ourselves with our hidden sins. Hidden sins haunt us... We tend to remember what we should forget and forget what we should remember. Sin haunt us.” **What makes hidden sin so powerful?** (Take time with this, listing many reasons.)
- ⏪ Jim cautioned against “doing the devil's work for him.” He said we tend to *accuse* ourselves. **What does it look like to accuse ourselves? What do the devil's accusations sound like?**
- ⏪ **Read** Exodus 3:1-4:17. **What excuses does Moses give to get out of leading Israel's rescue?**
- ⏪ Jim commented, “Show me your friends, and I'll show you your future.” **What future is your current circle of friends shaping for you?**
- ⏪ “Our hidden sin haunts us more than anyone else,” Jim asserted. He likened it to a skeleton in our closet. **What is the solution to the pain of our hidden sin?**
- ⏪ **Read** 1 John 1:9. **What happens when we confess? What are some good rules for confession?**
- ⏪ Reiterate Jim's main idea: “People who comeback, give back.” **How can you give back to God's rescue mission?** Consider gifts and opportunities God has provided you.

Pray: Give your students quiet space to kneel, bow, or stretch out their hands and confess to God their hidden sins. Reread 1 John 1:9 to assure them of God's forgiveness. Also encourage students to offer their cleansed selves to God's rescue work. “Here I am, send me,” you may have them say.