

Sunday, May 19, 2019 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

Part 8: You Are Jesus to Others

Exodus 6:28-7:13

We **REPRESENT** Jesus to others, (6:28-7:7)

What's your go-to excuse? (6:28-30)

Moses is God to Pharaoh — You are Jesus to Others (7:1ff)

— for **BETTER** or **WORSE** — (7:1-7)

A stench of death or a perfume of life... 2 Corinthians 2:15-16; 5:20

"The same sun that melts the wax, hardens the clay." (7:3)



with **GRACE** and truth... Colossians 4:5-6; Ephesians 4:15

To become like Jesus (and represent him well), you must be with Jesus (and his people!)

Age is Irrelevant (7:7)

It's never too late — You have agency.

Psalm 90:10

do your **BEST** and leave the results to **HIM**. (7:8-13)

Be "a nobody trying to tell everybody about Somebody"

God is ultimately in control

Getting Started

- 1. **Getting to Know You:** Would You Rather...
 - Be a miserable genius or a happy idiot?
 - Be fluent in all languages or a master of every musical instrument?
 - Be stuck in a broken elevator or stuck on a broken ski lift?
- Read Exodus 6:28-7:13. Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.

Digging Deeper

- 3. Pastor Josh mentioned we all have our own "go-to" excuses for not obeying God. Moses liked to mention his inability to speak and his inadequacy. Are you willing to share one of yours with the group?
- 4. Sometimes obeying what God calls us to do can actually end in our temporary defeat. Those aren't easy words to hear for any of us. How do the following verses help us keep moving forward even when it seems like doing what God calls us to do has a negative result?

Romans 8:28 Romans 8:35, 38-39 Philippians 4:12-13

- 5. How we live our life communicates to others who Jesus is. It is a great reminder that none of us live in a vacuum and that our actions and attitudes do make a difference. Fortunately, as a follower of Jesus, God's spirit is at work in our lives to help make that happen. How does Galatians 5:22-23 describe what the Spirit wants to do through us as individuals and a church to impact our world for Jesus?
- 6. Can you think of any examples in your own life of how God's Spirit helped you live out one of the "fruits of the spirit" listed in the Galatians passage?
- 7. One of our Core Values at Wawasee is "No Sacred Cows". We hold Jesus sacred, God's Word sacred, etc. but not our own opinions, traditions, preferences, and so on. We want to remove as many barriers as we can to people coming to know Jesus. Our heart is to be sure that if someone ever is offended by us that the offense is with the Gospel and with Jesus, not us! When you represent Jesus to others, what can you do to be sure that if someone becomes offended it is by the Gospel and not by you, your tone, your attitude, etc.? Here's a few passages to spur your thinking:

2 Timothy 2:24-26 Ephesians 5:1-2 Colossians 4:2-6 1 Peter 3:15-17

8. Anything else stand out this week? If so, take some time to discuss it and dive into Scripture, then pray for one another.

What is this? — Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them 1:10 Community Groups (the "1:10" comes from Colossians 1:10). The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a parallel passage of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a 1:10 Group, let us know on the Connect Card in your bulletin.

PRAYER GUIDE

During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items. Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.

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Pray this week for the ministry and people of Grace Lutheran Church in Syracuse.

Personal Prayer Items								

Word Find for Exodus 7:8-13 (ESV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

8 Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, 9 "When Pharaoh says to you, 'Prove yourselves by working a miracle,' then you shall say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it may become a serpent.' 10 So Moses and Aaron went to

Pharaoh and did just as the LORD commanded. Aaron cast down his staff before Pharaoh and his servants, and it became a serpent. 11 Then Pharaoh summoned the wise men and the sorcerers, and they, the magicians of Egypt, also did the same by their secret arts. 12 For each man cast down his staff, and they became serpents. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. 13 Still Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

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