

The God Who Hears: What Is In Your Hand: The Call To Trust and Obey. Exodus 4:1-26

We tend to think that what God is looking for in His people is great giftedness, great speech-making, great leadership and knowing exactly what to do in the exact time. The very opposite is true. Great giftedness, great speech-making, great leadership and great wisdom are only found when first a great desire to trust and obey resides within the man or woman who would have God's heart.

1. When have you been in a situation where all you knew to do was just trust and obey the **Lord. Maybe you didn't understand your circumstances or even understand what God** was doing, yet you knew your only choice was to believe Him and act on that belief.
2. What objections do you raise against God when He calls you to obedience? What have you told Him in the past to justify your mistrust or disobedience? How are you currently justifying a turning away from trust?
3. Trusting someone comes from knowledge of that person. How should someone who is struggling in their faith and trust in God go about working on that and getting to know Him better?
4. What influences in your life contribute to a distrust of God? What activities or allowances try to convince you that God is not trustworthy and does not need to be obeyed? How much do you allow influences like that in your life? How has your trust level of God changed over time as ungodly influences seep into your heart?
5. Do you believe that you questioning God in areas of your life helps to justify you not obeying Him? In other words, if you do not understand what He is doing, does that exempt you from moving ahead in obedience? Why or why not?
6. Do you have pre-requisites in your heart before you will obey God? Are there conditions that He must meet **before you'll act and move? What are some of those? Why do you** have them? Instead of trust, what is that communicating to God and to others?
7. Is your life and reputation marked by willing obedience to the Lord? Do others know you as someone who obeys because God says to, or are you known to be reluctant in your obedience, one who calculates his moves before he follows? How does your life stand as a testament to the worthiness of the Lord?
8. Are you living out obedience to the Lord? Are you growing more and more in trust and obedience? How does the life of Jesus minister to you as you face options daily to either trust or not trust, obey or not obey? What impact does His obedience have on you?