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God’s choice of Moses wasn’t based on human merit, talent, or even moral excellence. In fact, Scripture makes it clear that God’s choices are rooted in His sovereign will, not in our works or qualifications. As Paul explains in Romans 9:11–17, God’s election is “not by works but by Him who calls.” This means that God’s purposes are carried out through grace, not human performance.

When we look at the life of Moses, we see that he was far from perfect. He had a past as a murderer (Exodus 2:11-12), he was hesitant and insecure about his calling (Exodus 3–4), and even tried to resist God’s command to confront Pharaoh. Yet God still chose him, not because Moses was righteous, but because God had a redemptive plan for His people Israel, and He sovereignly appointed Moses as the instrument through which that plan would unfold.

This is consistent with the way God works throughout the Bible. He often chooses the least likely people to fulfill His purposes — not so they may boast, but so He alone receives the glory (1

Corinthians 1:27–29). Just as God raised Pharaoh to demonstrate His power through judgment (Romans 9:17), He raised Moses to reveal His power through mercy and deliverance.

God also equipped Moses with what he lacked. Though Moses was “slow of speech and tongue” (Exodus 4:10), God provided Aaron to speak on his behalf and empowered Moses with signs and wonders to validate his divine mission. His meekness, which Numbers 12:3 highlights as one of his defining traits, was not self-made but Spirit-formed — a result of God’s transforming grace.

Ultimately, Moses’ calling points us to a greater reality: God’s saving work is always by grace alone. Just as Israel was delivered from physical bondage in Egypt, believers today are delivered from spiritual bondage to sin — not because we earned it, but because God, in His mercy, chose to save us in Christ (Ephesians 2:8–9). His grace takes the initiative, changes our hearts, and empowers us to walk in obedience.

So, no — Moses wasn’t chosen because he was better than others. He was chosen because God is sovereign, and He delights to use the weak and the humble to accomplish His purposes.

This is the good news of the Gospel: God saves and uses us, not because of who we are, but because of who He is. Share this truth with others — it’s too powerful to keep to yourself.

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