

What Is In Your Hand?

(Exodus 4:2)

- Introduction:
1. One of the messages seen in Scripture is that God can use ordinary people to accomplish extra-ordinary results.
 2. The challenge we face is to value our “ordinary talents” and our “ordinary lives” and see beyond the ordinary and see the “extra-ordinary” ways in which God can use us to accomplish his purposes.

I. Biblical Examples Of Using The Ordinary

- A. (Exodus 4:2) Moses and his rod.
 1. Consider how God used a simple shepherds rod to do so many great things.
 - a. Turned into a snake (Exodus 4:3).
 - b. Turned the Nile to blood & several other plagues (Exodus 7:20).
 - c. Parted the Red Sea (Exodus 14:16).
 - d. Bring water to drink (Exodus 17:6).
 - e. Won a battle for Israel (Exodus 17:9-14).
- B. (Judges 15:15-17) Samson and a jawbone of a donkey.
 1. With this Jawbone, Samson killed 1000 Philistines.
- C. (1 Samuel 17:40) David and a sling.
 1. With this sling, David killed the giant, Goliath.
- D. (1 Kings 17:9-16) Widow of Zarephath.
 1. The flour and oil that this widow had kept replenishing itself.
- E. (John 6:9-14) The Lad with 5 loaves and 2 fish.
 1. With just five loaves and two fish, five thousand were fed.

II. What Do We Have In Our Hands?

- A. (Ecclesiastes 9:10) Whatever your hand finds to do; do it with all your might.
- B. (Colossians 3:23-24).
- C. (1 Corinthians 10:31).

- Conclusion:
1. I believe the key to a useful life in service to God is not in waiting for the right moment, but in using what you have in every moment.
 2. What has God placed in your hands?
 3. Whatever that is, use it to His glory.