



## **Peters Green News Sheet Issue No: 25**

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### **Exodus 3:1-15**

One of the lectionary readings for today is the call of Moses, Exodus 3:1-15. Moses is an interesting character raised in the court of Pharaoh, as a young man he was very qualified to be the leader of God's people. He had the passion and desire to do it, he killed the Egyptian who was oppressing an Israelite. He had the passion and ability but God didn't call him at that time.

Instead after he had spent 40 years in the wilderness caring for sheep, God called him. By now that confidence of youth had gone, he doubted his ability, his power to persuade, even his relationship with God. It was then that God called him.

As the story develops we see Moses grow as a leader, he is able to draw on the lessons of Pharaoh's court and successfully lead the people.

At his best Moses always relied on God, later in life he makes the mistake of taking charge himself and that costs him his place in the promised land, but possibly shows us what kind of a leader he would have been if God had called him before he spent time in the wilderness learning humility.

Those God uses successfully He equips with both gifts and character. Like Moses we are given gifts and abilities which God uses but only when He has worked on our character.

Andrew

Take my life, and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee,  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing  
Always, only, for my King;  
Take my lips, and let them be  
Filled with messages from Thee,  
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold;  
Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose,  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine;  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart; it is Thine own;  
It shall be Thy royal throne,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure-store.  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee,  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

