

# SIMPLE PRAYER

## PART 2

The Prayer of Moses: Don't Go It Alone

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The screenshot shows the BibleGateway website interface. At the top, there are navigation links for BIBLE, STUDY, APP, and STORE, along with a user profile for Ray Noah. A search bar contains 'Proverbs 15'. Below the search bar is a banner for a devotional for sports fans. The main content area displays Proverbs 15 in two columns. The left column is the New Living Translation (NLT), and the right column is The Message (MSG). A blue tooltip is visible over the NLT text, providing a commentary on the verse: 'We must learn to be non-defensive with people, especially those we love. When hurt, pause, think, make a choice to protect love, and answer in a way that keeps the kind of outcome a wise person would seek in mind. cf. verses 18 - 28: 'A hot-tempered person starts fights; a cool-tempered person stops them.' The heart of the matter is love, not winning.'

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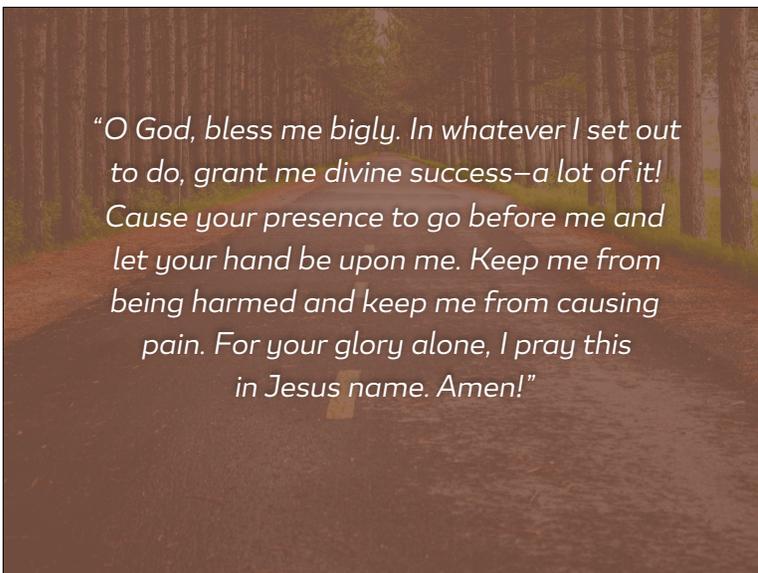
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**EXODUS 33:11-19**

<sup>11</sup> The Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend...<sup>12</sup> Moses said to the Lord, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people to the Promised Land,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.'  
<sup>13</sup> If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

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**EXODUS 33:11-19**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."  
<sup>15</sup> Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. <sup>16</sup> How will anyone know that you are pleased with us unless you go with us? What else but your presence will distinguish us from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

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**EXODUS 33:11-19**

<sup>17</sup> And the Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."  
<sup>18</sup> Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."  
<sup>19</sup> And the Lord said, "I will..."

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# SIMPLE PRAYER

Coming before God in childlike trust, with confident expectation, and letting the Heavenly Father sort through what I am lifting to him.

*"Our prayers are really His prayers. God speaks to himself through us." (C.S. Lewis)*

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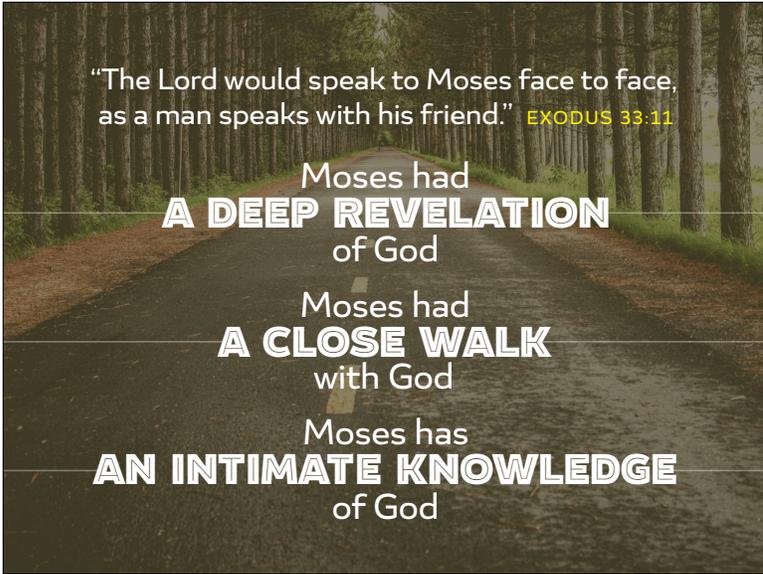
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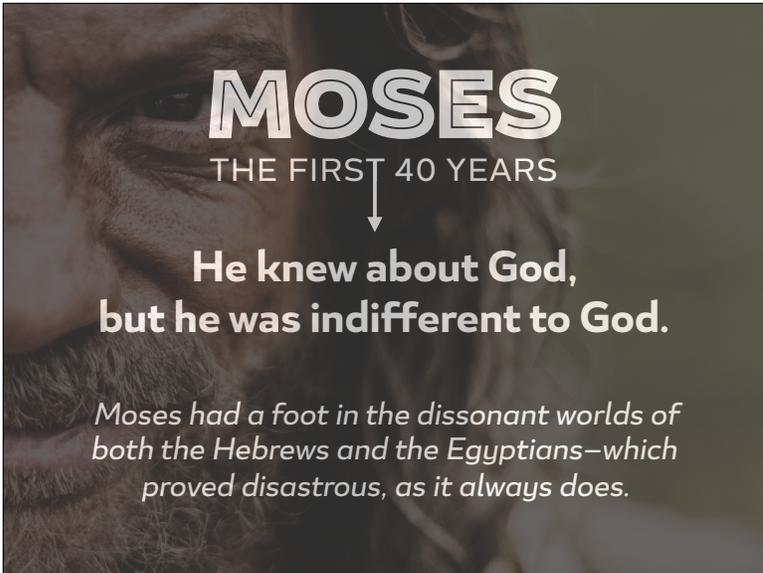
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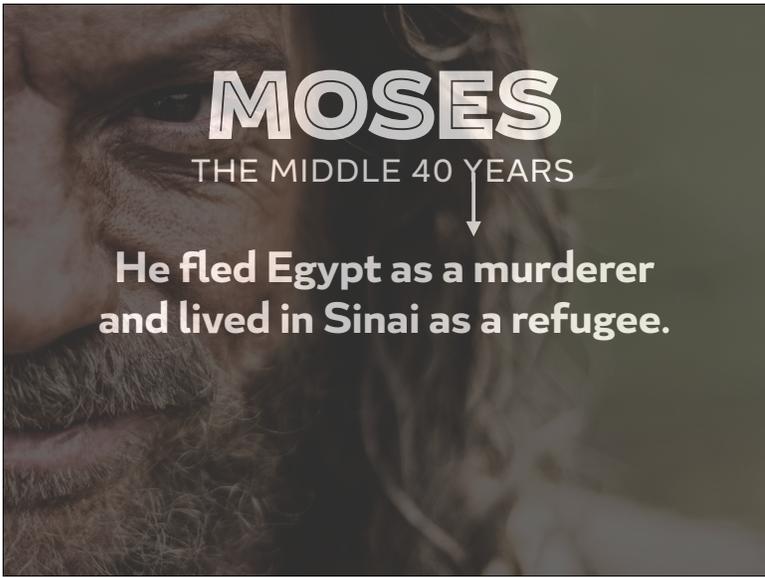
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# MOSES

THE MIDDLE 40 YEARS



**He fled Egypt as a murderer  
and lived in Sinai as a refugee.**

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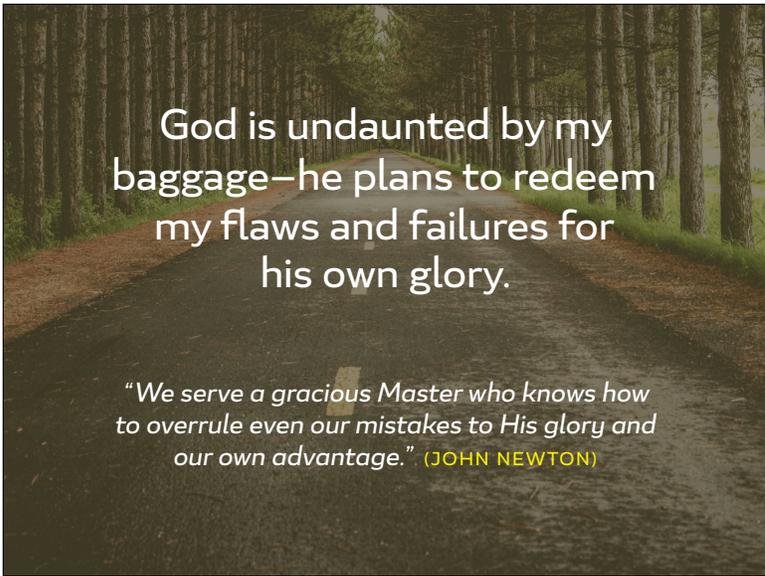
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**God is undaunted by my  
baggage—he plans to redeem  
my flaws and failures for  
his own glory.**

*"We serve a gracious Master who knows how  
to overrule even our mistakes to His glory and  
our own advantage." (JOHN NEWTON)*

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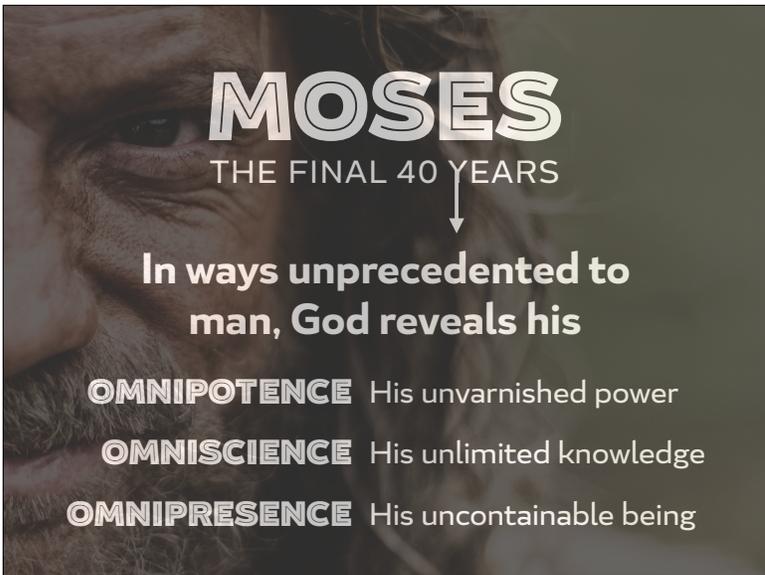
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# MOSES

THE FINAL 40 YEARS



**In ways unprecedented to  
man, God reveals his**

**OMNIPOTENCE** His unvarnished power

**OMNISCIENCE** His unlimited knowledge

**OMNIPRESENCE** His uncontainable being

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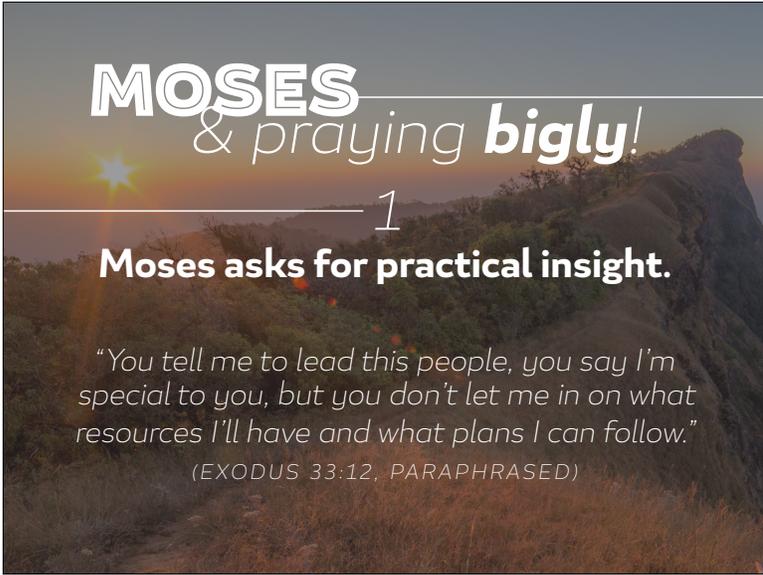
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# MOSES

& praying **bigly!**

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## Moses asks for practical insight.

*"You tell me to lead this people, you say I'm special to you, but you don't let me in on what resources I'll have and what plans I can follow."*

(EXODUS 33:12, PARAPHRASED)

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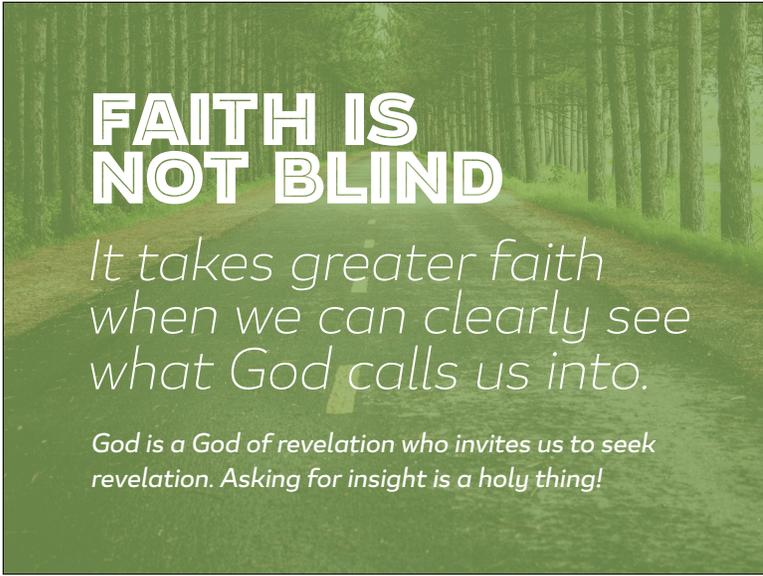
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# FAITH IS NOT BLIND

*It takes greater faith when we can clearly see what God calls us into.*

*God is a God of revelation who invites us to seek revelation. Asking for insight is a holy thing!*

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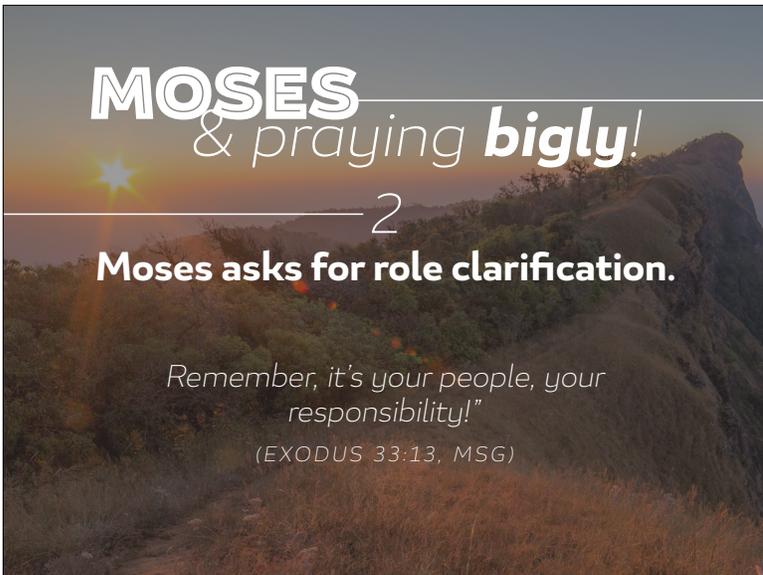
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# MOSES

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## Moses asks for role clarification.

*Remember, it's your people, your responsibility!"*

(EXODUS 33:13, MSG)

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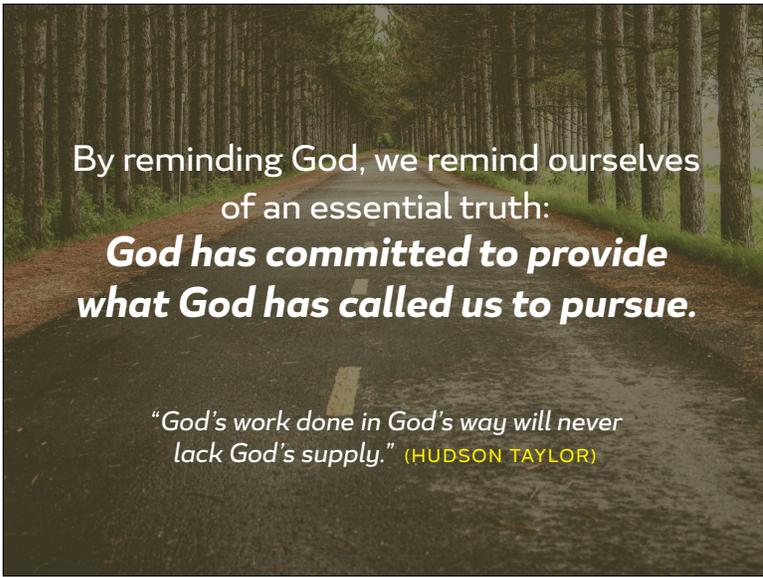
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By reminding God, we remind ourselves  
of an essential truth:  
**God has committed to provide  
what God has called us to pursue.**

*"God's work done in God's way will never  
lack God's supply." (HUDSON TAYLOR)*

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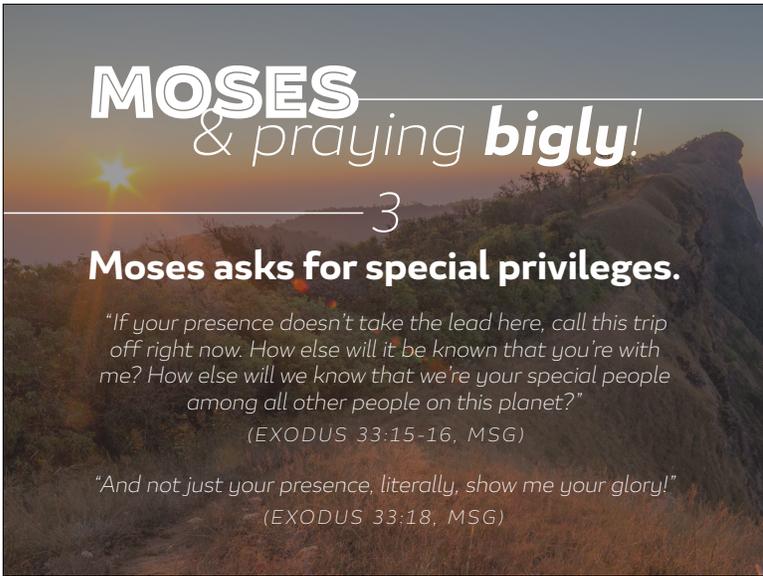
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# MOSES

& praying **bigly!**

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**Moses asks for special privileges.**

*"If your presence doesn't take the lead here, call this trip  
off right now. How else will it be known that you're with  
me? How else will we know that we're your special people  
among all other people on this planet?"*

(EXODUS 33:15-16, MSG)

*"And not just your presence, literally, show me your glory!"*

(EXODUS 33:18, MSG)

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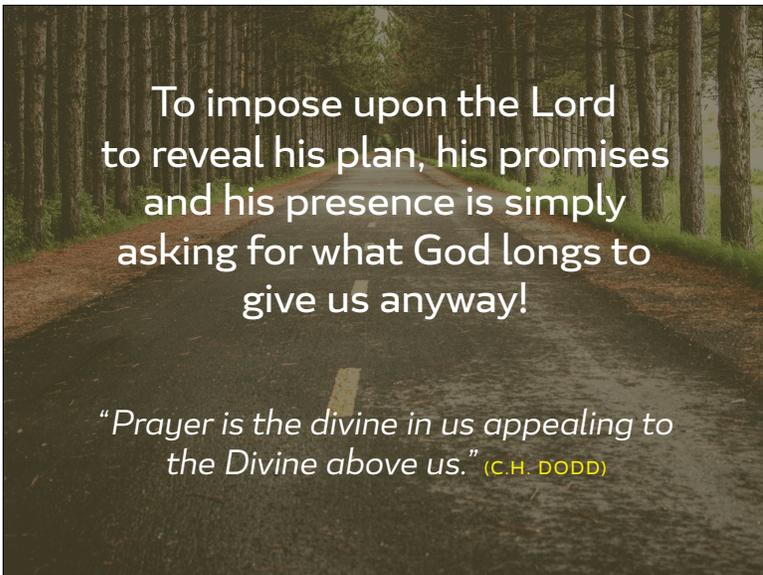
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To impose upon the Lord  
to reveal his plan, his promises  
and his presence is simply  
asking for what God longs to  
give us anyway!

*"Prayer is the divine in us appealing to  
the Divine above us." (C.H. DODD)*

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# SIMPLE PRAYER

## THE PRAYER OF MOSES

Moses' daring prayer reminds me of God's willing desire to reveal himself to me as a friend to a friend.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

*"I will..."*  
EXODUS 33:19

*Let you know me as friend to friend. v.11*

*Let you know that my presence is with you and goes before you. v.14*

*Let you know that where you go will I lead you into where my glory already resides. v.19*

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*"O God, I need your presence in my life more than life itself. Without you, I can't do what I have to do—I won't do it. But with you, I can do what you want me to do, be what you want me to be, and go you want to take me. So I boldly ask, 'Lord, go before me today, lead me where your will directs, and take me only to where you already are. In Jesus' name. Amen!'"*

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