MOSES: Eyes on the Invisible Holy Ambition

Moses' first failure - looking every which way but up...

One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. Glancing this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. (Exod. 2:11-12)

• God's will my way: acting on holy <u>ambition</u> in my <u>timing</u> – "Moses thought that his own people would realize that God was using him to rescue them, but they did not." (Acts 7:25)

It is not good to have zeal without knowledge, nor to be hasty and miss the way. (Prov. 19:2)

- § Self-reliance eventually lands you in a spiritual <u>desert</u> − "When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian..." (Exod. 2:15)
- **When self-reliance finally sits down, there's always a well of new life close by –** "Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian where he sat down by a well." (Exod. 2:15)
 - God's will God's way: aligning holy ambition with His timing "There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush...God called to him from within the bush, 'Moses! Moses!' And Moses said, 'Here I am' 'Do not come any closer,' God said. 'Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.'...'I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them...So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.'" (Exod. 3:2, 4-5, 7-8a, 10)

What causes a kingdom stir in your spirit?

I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, the people of Israel. (Rom. 9:2-4a)

Holy ambition always launches a kingdom mission...

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field." (Matt. 9:36-38)