


<b>PARENT PAGE</b> CHARACTER LESSON 18	<b>SPEAKING ON GOD'S BEHALF (MOSES)</b>		
	<b>Exodus 7:1-7; 19:20-25; 24:3-8</b>	<b>Exodus 24:3</b>	
<b>BIBLICAL PASSAGE</b>		<b>MEMORY VERSE</b>	

God uses people to speak on His behalf. Although God's written Word is without error and most reliable, many times God will use the voice of a parent, a godly teacher or an influential coach to help mold and shape the decisions of teenagers that can set a course for life.

Read Exodus 7:1-7, 19:20-25, and 24:3-8. God needed a mouthpiece to relay His message to Pharaoh and to the people of Israel. Who did He choose for the job? He chose a reluctant and stuttering Moses. How would you feel about sharing a warning from God? It wasn't the happiest of messages! But Moses' reluctance turned to resolve and

he became one of God's greatest leaders and a spokesman on His behalf.

Who are the voices in the life of your teenager? Do they listen to the sounds of media and culture? Are they surrounding themselves with friends who will have the integrity to guide them to live with character? As a parent, you may have the greatest voice and influence in your child's life. Although they may not always seem like they are listening, your daily encouragement and example of living a life dependent on God speaks volumes to them.

## FAMILY DEVOTION TIME

### Connect . . .

A family member writes down an instruction and asks another family member to read it out loud. For instance: "Everyone must clean out their closet today or forfeit their next extracurricular activity."

Next, the family discusses: **Who was the originator of the message? How did you feel when it was read out loud? Did you get upset with the one who wrote the message or the one who read it out loud? If it had remained unread, would that make a difference?** Explain how it is important for someone to communicate the message, even when it's not always a pleasant direction.

### Explore . . .

Family members share in the reading of Exodus 7:1-7, 19:20-25, and 24:3-8. Next, the family discusses: **How do you think Moses felt when God asked him to speak to Pharaoh? Would you be reluctant *knowing* that Pharaoh's heart would be hardened? How difficult do you think it would have been to speak to the entire nation of Israel?**

### Transform . . .

Ask: **How would you feel if a godly person in your life shared biblical insight that affected you personally? What will you do if God asks you to share a warning with someone else? Will you have the credibility for people to believe you?**

*Pray for your children that they would listen to the voices of godly people and be a person God could trust with a message for someone else.*

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