**Motivated like Moses**

The story of Moses is a long one, appearing in the Bible (Christianity), the Pentateuch (Judaism) and the Qu’ran (Islam). The story of the Hebrew baby raised by an Egyptian princess who liberated the Hebrew slaves and led them to the promised land.

God worked through Moses, bringing plagues to convince pharaoh to let the Hebrew slaves go. God used Moses to part the Red Sea, so they could escape, fed the people as they wandered in the wilderness, learning to be people of God.

Moses’ whole life was taken up following God’s call. It affected his family life with his wife and sons (Exodus 4:24-26) and brought him endless grief from the Israelites who constantly complained (they did this 14 times! – see Exodus 16:1-4 and 17:1-4 as examples) and turned from God (Exodus 32). Moses wasn’t perfect and despite everything, he was not allowed to enter the promised land, only look upon it (Numbers 20, Deuteronomy 32:49)

**Q – What is God calling you to do?**

**Q – What arguments do you use when you can’t follow God’s path?**

Moses’ was motivated by God and this motivation kept him going. Whilst meeting God at the burning bush (Exodus 3 and 4), God tells Moses who he is and what his plan for the future is. Then he tells Moses that he is the man to front this vision and Moses panics – he struggles to communicate, he fears pharaoh, he’s not worthy…

God works with Moses every step of the way, which motivates his to keep going, even when it is really difficult. God also sends others to support Moses in his task – his brother Aaron (Exodus 4:14) and his father in law Jethro (Exodus 18:1-12).

**Q – What motivates you to follow God even when it is hard?**

**Q – Who has God sent to help you on the journey?**