



**MOJO**  
**Week ONE**  
**It's Out of My Hands**  
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In this series, we will see how God can take the ordinary of our lives and create something supernatural. This week's takeaway: *God did not ask of Moses something he didn't already have.*

## STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What does the word "mojo" mean?

Can that characteristic be useful to God?

What might God call a person with "mojo?"

2. Take a look at Exodus 3:7-14 and 4:4-11. What was Moses' reaction to God's announcement?

What were the four excuses Moses gave for telling God that he had the wrong guy?

What would you have said if this happened to you?

3. Why do you think God told Moses to throw down the shepherd's staff?

Why might God have chosen for it to turn into a snake? What was the purpose of God telling Moses to pick it up by its tail?

4. What is meant by the phrase, “It’s out of my hands”?

When do we usually say it? Why do we say it?

5. How would God use Moses’ staff in the years to come? (Exodus 7:17; 8:5, 9:23; 14:16, and 17:6).

What did the staff come to represent?

6. List some things—tangible and intangible, good and bad — that people hold onto, much the way Moses held the staff when he was but a shepherd.

7. Consider this quote by pastor Richard Dahlstrom: “God can’t put anything into hands that have a tight fisted grip on their children, or reputation, or house, or job, or savings account... Empty hands will be filled with God’s blessing, which we can than empty again as we share those blessings, and in the emptiness of our hands, we’re given still more.” What did he mean by this?

Have you ever witnessed empty hands filled with God’s blessing?

**Personal Meditation:** What do you need to surrender to God, just as Moses had to throw down his shepherd's staff? This week, consider praying this prayer: “Lord Jesus, I come to you mindful that I have been holding on too tightly to \_\_\_\_\_. Today I open my hands and lift them to you. Help me loosen the grip and may I fully trust that you will bless my surrender to Your leadership in my life.”

**Memorize James 2:17** — “So you see, faith by itself isn’t enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.” (NLT)