

Deciding To Be Curious (Starting Over)

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Three Skills You Will Need To Make Better Decisions

- 1. Learn How To Map The Facts
- 2. Learn How To Predict Based on The Facts
- 3. Learn How To Decide Based On The Facts of The Map

Source: Farsighted: How to Make Decisions That Matter the Most by Stephen Johnson

Series Review

1 Deciding to Make Wiser Decisions (Want better)

• Good decision makers work to make wise decisions

2. Decide you are going to be curious about life (Be Curious)

• Good decision makers are curious

I. A Moment of Curiosity That Changed Moses' Life

Exodus 3:1-4 (NIV):

- 1. Now Moses was tending the flock of **Jethro his father-in-law**, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.
- 2 There the angel of **the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire** from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up.
- 3 So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."
- 4 <u>When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look,</u> God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."
- 5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."
- **1.** He has a new family (Jethro¹ the priest of Midian was his father-in-law)
- 2. He has decided to work with what he had until something new sparked his curiosity

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¹ Exodus 18: The History of Jethro and the Midianites, <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/Midianites.html</u>



II. A Moment of Curiosity That Can Change Your Life

Jesus challenged the disciples to be curious (Matthew 7:7–8 (NIV)

- 7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.
- 1. Ask (Say Something)
- 2. Seek (Look for Something)
- 3. Knock (Do something)

Closing:

III. Three Questions to Test The Level of Your Curiosity

- 1. Can you list something you curiously asked about lately?
- 2. Can you list something you have investigated lately?
- 3. Can you list some doors you have knocked on lately?

Next Time: Deciding to Fight Your Way Back After a Bad Decision