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The Person God Uses
Numbers 27:12-14

A view of Moses as the person God used to help Israel become a nation and guide them through the wilderness experience. What was it about Moses that brought him to this stage to be used by God? What criteria were evident in him and how are these criteria related to your work for God.

1. Moses was a person of faith – Hebrews 11:23
He was constantly stepping out of the familiar into the strange and new. Numbers 10: 35-36 illustrates Moses' passion about God being with them in beginnings and endings. God chose him, he didn't choose God.
Share with the group how you have stepped out with God?
2. Moses was a person of humility – Numbers 12:3
He stood in the service of God not service for himself. His spirit was spread to others and exemplified before Joshua's question. Numbers 11:25-29.
His humility stood out by the way he handled criticism, responding with intercession and leaving the critical person to God.
How has your acceptance of God's will varied over the years?
3. Moses was a person who had the courage to stand in the middle between God and Israel. Numbers 1:1 and 36:13 "spoke to Moses" "spoke through Moses"
Stood close to the people – seeing their hearts, pain, abuses.
Stood close to God to intercede for people Numbers 14:11-16
What people are you standing and representing to God and God to them?
4. Moses was a person of desire / passion. Deuteronomy 34:10
Moses prayed to know all of God that God would allow.
What would you say is your "hunger level" toward intimacy with God? Scale 1-5 (1-neutral, 5-passionate).

Pray this prayer:

"I want to be where you are; I want to know Lord, who you are. So when You call my name, I'll say to You "Here I am" I'm listening, Lord, speak to me.

I want to see how You see. Change my heart, Lord, and make it holy. If there's anything in my life that doesn't honor You tonight, I'm listening speak to me, speak to me."