

Proof That God is Willing to Save and Use You

- A. *Proof* (noun): Evidence sufficient to establish a thing as true, or to produce belief in its truth.
- B. Many struggle with a serious mental obstacle: "I'm just not sure God is willing to save me."
- C. As an authoritative answer, consider three episodes in the lives of three examples from the Bible.

Exhibit #1 — _____: "He Struck Down the Egyptian and Hid Him in the Sand" (Exo 2:11-15)

- A. He was forty years old at this point in his life (Exo 2:11; Acts 7:23).
- B. He demonstrated an awareness of the seriousness of his actions (Exo 2:12).
- C. He "supposed that his brothers would understand," but he was wrong (Exo 2:13-14; Acts 7:25).
- D. He fled for his life and hid, far away from Egypt, for the next 40 years (Exo 2:15; Acts 7:29).

Exhibit #2 — _____: "Set Uriah in the forefront...that he may be struck down" (2 Sam 11)

- A. He was an established king, soldier, and poet at this point in his life (2 Sam 11:1).
- B. He demonstrated an awareness of the seriousness of his actions (2 Sam 11:2-13).
- C. He supposed that he could hide his sin, but he was wrong (2 Sam 11:14-12:7).
- D. The ripple effect of his actions affected his family for generations to come (2 Sam 12:8-14).

Exhibit #3 — _____: "Ravaging the Church" (Acts 7:54-8:3)

- A. He was "a young man" at this point in his life (Acts 7:58), with an elite education (22:3).
- B. He demonstrated an awareness of the seriousness of his actions (Acts 22:4-5).
- C. He wrongly believed that he was in harmony with God's will (Acts 26:9-11; 1 Tim 1:13).
- D. As long as he lived, he never forgot his "former life" (Gal 1:13; 1 Tim 1:15).

In what way do these three exhibits establish proof that God is willing to save and use you?

Conclusion:

- A. Moses had to get rid of the _____ (Exo 3-5) and fully trust "I AM WHO I AM."
- B. David had to come face-to-face with the horrific _____ of sin (Psa 51:4).
- C. Saul had to respond to the gospel and experience the _____ of his sins (Acts 22:6-16).