

Week 4 Homily Summary

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In Week 4 of Seriously, God?! Making Sense of Life Not Making Sense, the focus is on why God allows incompetent or abusive leaders to hold power. We've all experienced frustrating leadership—whether from a teacher, coach, or boss—and it can lead us to question God's role in leadership.

The homily explores this issue through the story of **Moses**. The Pharaoh of Egypt oppressed the Israelites, even ordering the killing of firstborn Hebrew boys. Moses, miraculously saved as a baby and raised in Pharaoh's palace, later fled Egypt after killing an Egyptian taskmaster. In exile, he encountered God in the **burning bush**, where God revealed that He had seen the suffering of His people and called Moses to lead them to freedom. Despite feeling inadequate, Moses ultimately trusted God and became a great leader.

Key Lessons from Moses' Story:

- God Acknowledges Poor Leadership He sees and cares about the harm caused by bad leaders. If you're struggling under ineffective leadership, bring your frustrations to God in prayer.
- 2. God May Be Calling You to Lead Often, good leadership is lacking because capable people hesitate. If you feel unqualified, remember: God equips those He calls.
- 3. **Depend on God** Whether you lead in big or small ways, seek God's wisdom and strength to guide others well.

Instead of being discouraged by bad leadership, **trust that God is still at work**. He invites us into a deeper relationship with Him, especially through prayer and the Eucharist. When you receive Jesus, say: **"Jesus, I place all my trust in You. Help my unbelief."**