

On the *Fast Track* to Failure

Exodus 2:11-15; Acts 7:20-29

Moses was on the fast track to greatness (Acts 7:20-25)

Moses had:

Position (21)

Education (22)

Skills (22)

Heritage (20, 23)

Sense of compassion and justice (24)

Destiny (20, 25)

Moses ran ahead of God's plan (Exodus 2:11-12; Acts 7:23-25)

He initiates his own plan (Acts 7:23)

He was misguided (Acts 7:25)

He reacts to the situation (Exodus 2:11-12)

Moses ran away from his mistakes (Exodus 2:12-15; Acts 7:26-29)

He covers up his sin (Exodus 2:12)

He was rejected by his people (Exodus 2:13-14; Acts 7:26-28)

He realizes his failure (Exodus 2:14)

He becomes a fugitive and an exile (Exodus 2:15; Acts 7:29)

When we take matters into our own hands,

We think we are the answer to God's problems, not the other way around

We become impatient because God is not moving fast enough

We react instead of respond

We experience rejection because of our foolish mistakes

We end up as exiles

We discover the well of a new life lies nearby