

**CSI: Connect, Serve, Impact**  
**But not me! - Part 1**  
**Message Notes ~ September 2, 2007**

**1. I CAN'T BE A LEADER!**

Excuse #1 - "I've got nothing to offer."

"Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus went in and out among us...For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.' So they proposed two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. Then they prayed, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs.' Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles." Acts 1.21-26

Excuse #2 - "I'm no superhero."

Excuse #3 - "I've tried and failed."

"One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. Glancing this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, 'Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?' The man said, 'Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?' Then Moses was afraid and thought, 'What I did must have become known.' When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well." Exodus 2.11-15

Excuse #4 - "I've got a past."

**2. WHAT YOU DISCOVER IN \_\_\_\_\_**

"Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people." Acts 11.25-26

"... you must teach others those things you and many others have heard me speak about. Teach these great truths to trustworthy men who will, in turn, pass them on to others." 2 Timothy 2.2 (Living Bible)

**3. WHAT \_\_\_\_\_**

"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure." - Nelson Mandela