Dear Friend,

Do you ever feel totally unqualified to advocate on behalf of unborn children or to share the gospel? I know I do.

Recently I have been reading *Amazing Grace* by Eric Metaxas, a biography of William Wilberforce. William Wilberforce was instrumental in bringing about the end to the slave trade in England. Many people know him for his powerful and compelling speeches and his tireless fight for abolition. What most don't know is that William Wilberforce suffered from ill health most of his life. He was often bedridden. His doctor told him that his body wasn't prepared to handle the life he had chosen.

William Wilberforce was also short and gaunt. His appearance didn’t lend itself to a political career.

Yet despite his constant illness and unimpressive appearance, William Wilberforce fought ceaselessly for the end of the slave trade and eventually won.

His life reminds me of I Corinthians 1:27-29 which says, “But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence.”

We often look to ourselves—our skills, our talents, our resources—to decide whether we are qualified. In reality none of us are qualified to serve our great God, but he chooses to use us and to work through our weakness for his glory.

Don’t allow your weaknesses, whatever they are, to keep you from serving our Lord. Rather embrace your weakness as a chance to depend upon his strength as you faithfully serve him.

In Christ, 

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