

Hebrews - 2/28/21

Moses – Overcoming the Praise of Man

TEXT- Hebrews 11:24-28 *By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;*

INTRO- Three acts of faith by Moses:

He refused . . . He chose . . . he esteemed

- By faith he refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter
- By faith he forsook Egypt v. 27
- By faith he kept the Passover v. 28

I. Moses Refused

refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter - By faith

- He must have had the opportunity of becoming a part of the royal family
- Moses must have heard and known that he should not accept the offer of Egypt.
- He must have known that God would use him to deliver Israel.

Acts 7:22-25 *And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds. And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel. And seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was oppressed, and smote the Egyptian: For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not.*

Moses must have already made God's purpose clear to his brethren and expected them to understand.

Exo 2:11 *And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.*

Moses had matured in stature, dignity and importance.

- His brethren did not believe God.
- Moses probably heard the calling of Abraham by third hand and even the flood and creation not far removed from his people.

II. Moses Chose

Heb 11:25-27 *Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; 26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward. 27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.*

2 Pe 1:1 *Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:*

He saw the invisible

Pleasure vs. affliction

2 Co 4:17-18 *For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.*

III. Moses Esteemed – reproach vs. treasure of the world

26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt:

The treasures of Egypt were many

2 Co 12:10 *Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.*

Acts 5:41 *And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.*

26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt:

It was by faith!

It was Christ though not yet born.

Heb 10:32-33 *But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions; 33 Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.*

1 Jn 5:4 *For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.*

Recompence is two-fold

1. Retribution of the ungodly

2. Rewards of the righteous

"Abraham believed God" **Gen. 15:6**

"I know whom I have believed" Paul exclaimed **2 Tim. 1:12**

Deut. 8:3 - Mat 4:4 *But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*

Joh 8:56 *Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad.*

Luk 24:44 *And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.*

Prayer of Moses - Psalms 90:12 *So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.*

We look forward to that day when we meet Christ

IV. Moses Forsook Egypt

27 *By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.*

Moses left Egypt two times

- **The first he left in fear**
- **The second he left with no fear.**

By fear he fled - by faith he forsook

The former Moses we see fear and flight

The later Moses we see Faith and forsaking

Exo 14:13 Moses encouraged his follows, *Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD,*

Moses would not compromise to the Pharaoh's offers

"go not very far away"

We need the same endurance as Moses

V. Moses Kept the Passover

Heb 11:28 *Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.*

1 Pe 1:18-19 *Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:*

The Passover was an act of faith for all generations to see

The pervious 9 plagues failed to release the Israelites.

Exo 12:13 *And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.*

Heb 13:11-13 *For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. 12*

Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. 13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

CONCL – Let us go beyond the church walls to give the gospel message to a lost and dying world.