## **Faith of Moses**

**Heb 11:24-29** By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, **25** choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, **26** considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward. **27** By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen. **28** By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood, so that he who destroyed the firstborn would not touch them. **29** By faith they passed through the Red Sea as though {they were passing} through dry land; and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were

## drowned.

- Moses was significant because of the "firsts" that were performed thru
  him: observable miracles were seen; a nation was formed thru him; he
  worked to train, to raise up a people of God.
- Hebrews recorded his life in 4 aspects:
- I. By Faith Moses Refused...; vss. 24-26
  - Moses learned to say no to things that needed to be said "no" to.
  - He was raised in the house of Pharaoh
  - **A.** His Egyptian Identity –born of a Jewish mother but grew up in Pharaoh's house. He learned the philosophy of Egypt, but his soul was Jewish.
    - When we are born again, we ought to think differently that the world thinks
    - For instance, we are not to live together before we are married...the mindset of the world has crept into the church
    - That "I'm just human" and regard "just not sinning" is a "victory". If the Kingdom is not advanced, we have not won a victory.
      - When the truth is presented, when character is developed, when people are won to Christ – that is what victory looks likes
  - **B.** His Prominence As Prince Of Egypt
  - **C.** His Inheritance As Prince Of Egypt he left behind the throne of rule & influence; he left behind wealth & power. Like Moses we must prioritize serving God and doing His will. To reject our inheritance is always a difficulty choice. We don't know what we are saying "yes" to.
- **II**. By Faith Moses Left...; **vs. 27** "He did not fear the wrath of the king..." when he delivered the people of Egypt.

- **A**. The World's System "come out from the midst of them and be separate from them..." We can't leave the world, but we must leave the world system. What we "leave" we do so to be distinct from, different from the people in the world. Our influence ought to change the environment. We love people by attaching ourselves to people but not doing what they do. God wants us to leave somethings behind.
  - **B**. The World's Influence
- **III**. By Faith Moses Kept...; **vs. 28** we are to "cling to the Lord"; we do this to walk out the redemptive benefit of knowing Christ in such a way that brings change to others.
  - When we leave something, we do so because we love God who gave Himself for me, not just because we are not supposed to do it.
  - Our goal is to "keep" that which pleases God. This begins with our repentance turning from our sin in response to God's mercy in Christ. We are not saved for heaven or from hell, but "from this wicked and perverse generation."
- **A**. God Keeps Us; **John 10:29** My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.
- **B.** We Must Keep Him; **Deut 10:20** "You shall fear the LORD your God; <u>you</u> <u>shall serve Him and **cling** to Him</u>, and you shall swear by His name.
  - Do we keep our salvation when we are in the world? Do we overcome and prevail in order to demonstrate the salvation of Christ.
- **IV**. By Faith "He" Became "They"...; **vs. 29**" Moses lived a certain way by "refusing", "leaving" and "keeping" he was able to lead a people.
  - There are people God intends we are to lead people out of bondage
  - The passing pleasure of sin is the exact time to say no Moses obeyed in and doing so "he" became "they" – he multiplied himself
  - It is critical that "I" becomes plural and that "you" become "they"
  - **A.** Moses Passed Through Judgment
  - **B**. Moses' Faith Grew So That Others Could Pass Through judgment