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The Faith of Moses

In examining the life of Moses we come to learn of his faithfulness. Also we begin to learn how to become beloved of the Heavenly Father. This study will help you see that your life is not that different from those of the past generations. In fact the life of Moses resembles that of our nation, which is tempted with deceitful riches and has become strangers to the commonwealth of Israel.

Hebrews 11:23 "By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment."

Moses was born during the captivity (slavery) of Egypt. In those days the king (Pharaoh) commanded to kill all the Hebrew males. **Exodus 1:15** "And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:" **Verse 16:** "And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools; if it be a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it be a daughter, then she shall live." **Verse 22:** "And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive."

Truly faithful were his parents in preserving the life of their child for three months, giving an example to future generations to have faith in God even in captivity. During other captivities the oppressors sought to destroy a nation by eliminating their <u>seed</u>. Consider the Greeks, who forced Israelites to profane themselves and to forget their heritage. Many died in faith, parents with their infants; others resisted their rule by fleeing for liberation (1st Maccabees 1:41-64).

Similar to this, in the captivity of the Romans, the Israelites suffered great loss when their children were massacred by Herod (Matthews 2:13-18). These things have not changed from the most recent captivity (1400's to this generation) yet we have been preserved by the mercies of God. Lamentations 3:22 "It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not." The same cruelty of the Egyptians in casting babies into the Nile river to be eaten by crocodiles or drowned was done in the Americas. The Spanish Conquistadors cast children into rivers mocking them and American slave owners used children as alligator bait. It is unimaginable how heartless the Conquistadors were, to rip open the womb of a pregnant woman. To kill her infant by dashing against a stone or by being fed to their dogs.



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Our children are special and could be a blessing to their own people, they are the future prophets similar to Moses and Christ. However their lives are continually threatened by abortion; the greatest killer of an Israelite. This atrocious act is no different from the past since it is sponsored by the government. Instead of using midwives they use so called "physicians" that lie. **Job 13:4** "But ye are forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value." Proof of this is the countless (Black and Hispanic) mothers that during their pregnancy were told by physicians that their child might be born with whatever abnormality, to convince them to have a medically indicated abortion.

After those three months the parents of Moses depended on God to continue to preserve his precious life. **Exodus 2:1** "And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi." **Verse 2:** "And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months." **Verse 3:** "And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink." **Verse 4:** "And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him." **Verse 5:** "And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it." **Verse 10:** "And the child grew, and **she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son**. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water."

Acts 7:21 "And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son." As the scripture stated Moses was raised as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Do you think Moses was raised in the faith of his forefathers (Israelites)? Acts 7:22 "And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds." According to the word of the Lord, he was raised as an Egyptian! This means he could be confused for an Egyptian (African) therefore he was dark skinned. See, Exodus 2:17-19.

All the way to adulthood he thought he was an Egyptian (African) and had no idea of his true nationality. Our people in their ignorance also identify with so called Africans because both have the same skin color. **Exodus 11:7** "But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel." The only similarity between the Israelites and the Egyptians is their dark skin color. The difference begins with our fathers, they come from Ham and we are descendants of Shem. More importantly we worship only one God (YHWH), while the Egyptian culture is based on their gods.



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In this world the Egyptians are glorified as a kingdom of wise people, yet when Israel came out of Egypt the Heavenly Father told Moses in **Leviticus 18:1** "And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying," **Verse 2:** "Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the LORD your God." **Verse 3:** "After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances." This means that generation found their captors to be liars, in other words their life was a lie. Please read, **Deuteronomy 33:29**.

Just like Moses, past generations of Israelites were raised as Gentiles (other nations) and assimilated to the culture of their captors. During the Greco-Roman Empire you had Israelites calling themselves by other nationalities; these were the people the Apostle Paul taught (Hosea 1:10 and Romans 9:24-27). Today the same thing has happened; our people went through harsh oppression and have been miseducated.

As the generation of Moses, we are in captivity under a spiritual Egypt. Revelations 11:8 "And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified." We have to stop following the doings of Egypt and learn who we truly are. The majority of our people do not have the mind of Moses, because when they learn the truth they reject it. Whereas, Hebrew 11:24 "By faith Moses, when he was come to years [learned he was an Israelite], refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;" Verse 25: "Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;"

Not many of our people would have made the same choice as Moses. His decision to reject great riches for suffering seems to be foolish to those of the world. But in reality it's a sign of great faith, 1st Corinthians 3:18 "Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise." Verse 19: "For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness."

Look at the age of Moses when he departed to be with his people. Acts 7:23 "And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel." At the age of forty it was revealed to him that he was an Israelite. Our people that are waking up should receive hope from this scripture and not be like those Israelites in the time period of Jeremiah that said, Jeremiah 2:25 "... but thou saidst, There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go." Regardless of age, status, familial tradition, and past sins; humble yourself to the truth.



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The Heavenly Father requires us to be humble in order for us to receive his wisdom. Moses was taught by God because he had a meek (humble) spirit, and he counted the wisdom of Egypt to be sin. **Numbers 12:3** "(Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)" Those of this generation that have been set in their ways following the customs of the world must count all wicked things they have learned to be sin.

Moses is a great example not only of faith but of repentance. **Philippians 3:7** "But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ." Often individuals are reluctant to renounce worldly things that offend and prevent them from being righteous. When you become aware of your sins, repentance is being prepared to give up anything. Please read, Mark 8:34-38. **Philippians 3:8** "Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,"

Consider that Moses could have enjoyed many pleasures and great riches being a prince; the adopted son of Pharaoh's daughter. **Hebrews 11:26** "Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward." **Verse 27:** "By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible." Not many could say they have left treasures and such status to win Christ. By his example any internal struggle is put into perspective. In repentance, he began as a newborn taking away all the pleasures of sin. Understanding that he must learn from scratch to gain the excellency of the knowledge of Christ.

If we are leaving the world of sin, then we must not bring with us any preconceived beliefs. For instance, many err believing that the doctrine of Christ differed from that of Moses. When in fact Moses was a fervent follower of the "reproach of Christ" and understood the reward that was to come. **Isaiah 62:11** "Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward is with him [Christ], and his work before him."

Moses believed in Christ, this fact is understood in what Christ said about him. **John** 5:46 "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me." **Verse 47:** "But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?"

In the end we are just like Moses, a generation that is seeking salvation from the Lord. Being redeemed from the lies that have been taught to us, **Hebrews 11:28** "Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them."



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Yet we will NOT receive our salvation if we are not faithful to the Lord in keeping his commandments. Moses was given the laws and he taught them to our forefathers. **Hebrews 4:1** "Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it." **Verse 2:** "For unto us was the gospel [good news] preached, as well as unto them [those who came out of Egypt]: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it."

That generation had a slave mentality and wanted to remain in Egypt (slavery) once they were freed. **Hebrews 3:5** "And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;" While Moses embraced the laws of liberty for they are a testimony of what is to come after (Christ and the Kingdom of Heaven). **Hebrews 3:6** "But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end." The house of Israel, will receive great joy and hope when they acknowledge their heritage. Renouncing the belief of being Gentiles (of other nations such as African), being born again by removing all sin and believing in Christ. Let's renew our minds to change our lifestyles to reflect the laws of the Heavenly Father. This way you will be just like Moses "faithful in all his house". Shalam (Peace)!