

## By Faith Moses

Have you ever felt stuck between a rock and a hard place? These moments of feeling caught between two opposing forces, is a universal part of the human experience. That's exactly where we find Moses in Hebrews 11:23-28. Born a Hebrew, raised in a palace, caught in a tug-of-war between privilege and purpose. This is a man who could have had it all: wealth, power, and the privilege of Egypt, but He chose faith in God instead. The Hebrew writer is telling his audience, don't follow Moses' law but follow Moses' faith – choose God over everything else (cf. Heb 10:32-39). Tonight, we're going to delve into the faith that fueled Moses' choices. We'll see how his story, though thousands of years old, speaks powerfully to the dilemmas we face today. A man who, by faith, chose the path less traveled, a path that led him to deliver a nation and change the course of history.

### 1. Faith's Firm Foundation (v. 23)

- a. Moses' faith was built on the foundation of his parent's faith. | Eph 6:4; 2 Tim 1:5; 3:14-15
- b. Born under a death sentence, Moses' parents spared him because...
  - i. They feared God, more than the Pharaoh. | Exd 2:1-10; Heb 13:5-6
  - ii. They saw Moses, not merely as "beautiful," but as part of God's "good" creation. | 1 Sam 16:6-7a; Gen 1:26-31

### 2. Faith Shapes Our Identity (vv. 24-26)

- a. Moses' faith moved him to identify with the slaves, not with the masters. | Exd 2:11-15; Luk 14:12-24; Rom 12:16
- b. Better an outcast with Christ, than accepted by the world. | Heb 10:32-39; 12:1-3; 13:8-14

### 3. Faith Overcomes Fear (v. 27)

- a. Moses left Egypt in fear, but after some persuading returned in faith. | Exd 3:1-4:17
- b. He "Endured as seeing Him who is invisible." | Heb 11:1-3; Rom 8:24-25; 2 Cor 4:18; 1 Pet 1:8
- c. The call to God's service comes with the promise of His presence. | Heb 13:20-21

### 4. Faith is Empowered by Grace (v. 28)

- a. Moses and the Israelites had to trust in the gracious blood of the lamb. | Exd 12:1-28
- b. Salvation is still by grace through faith. | Jhn 1:29; Rom 3:22b-25a; 6:3-5
- c. God's grace empowers our faith for our journey from here to the Promised Land. | Heb 13:9

The faith of Moses stands as a beacon, illuminating the path for all who seek to follow God wholeheartedly. It reminds us that faith is not passive; it's active, courageous, and transformative. Living life with a faith like Moses' is about choosing to trust God, even when faced with uncertainty, adversity, and the allure of the world.