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- Man of the true God, leader of the nation of Israel, mediator of the Law covenant, prophet, judge, commander, historian, and writer.
- And Jeshua the son of Jehozadak and his brothers the priests and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and his brothers proceeded to rise up and build the altar of the God of Israel, to offer up burnt sacrifices upon it, according to what is written in the Law of Moses the man of the true God. (**Ezra 3:2**)
- **Moses** was born in **1593 B.C.E**, in Egypt, being the son of Amram, the grandson of Kohath, and the great-grandson of Levi. His mother Jochebed was Kohath's sister. **Moses** was three years younger than his brother Aaron. Miriam their sister was some years older.
- And these are the names of the sons of Levi, according to their family descents, Gershon and Kohath and Merari. And the years of Levis life were a hundred and thirty-seven years. (**Exodus 6:16**)
- And the sons of Kohath were Amram and Izhar and Hebron and Uzziel. And the years of Kohath's life were a hundred and thirty-three years. (**Exodus 6:18**)

- Now Amram took Jochebed his father's sister as his wife. Later she bore him Aaron and **Moses**. And the years of Amram's life were a hundred and thirty-seven years. (**Exodus 6:20**)
- Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter; Shall I go and specially call for you a nursing woman from the Hebrew women that she may nurse the child for you? (**Exodus 2:7**)

•• Early Life In Egypt

- **Moses**, a divinely beautiful child, was spared from Pharaoh's genocidal decree commanding the destruction of every newborn Hebrew male. He was hidden by his mother for three months, then placed in a papyrus ark among the reeds by the bank of the Nile River, where Pharaoh's daughter found him.
- Through the wise action of his mother and sister, Moses came to be nursed and trained by his mother in the employment of the daughter of Pharaoh, who then adopted him as her son.
- As a member of Pharaoh's household, he was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, becoming powerful in his words and deeds, undoubtedly powerful in both mental and physical capabilities.
- Meantime, a certain man of the house of Levi went ahead and took a daughter of Levi. (**Exodus 2:1**)
- And the woman became pregnant and brought a son to birth. When she saw how good-looking he was, she kept him concealed for three lunar months. (**Exodus 2:2**)
- When she was no longer able to conceal him, she then took for him an ark of papyrus and coated it with bitumen and pitch and put the child in it and put it among the reeds by the bank of the river Nile. (**Exodus 2:3**)
- Further, his sister stationed herself at a distance to find out what would be done with him. (**Exodus 2:4**)
- After a while Pharaoh's daughter came down to bathe in the Nile River, and her female attendants were walking by the side of the Nile River. And she caught sight of the ark in the middle of the reeds. Immediately she sent her slave girl that she might get it.

(Exodus 2:5)

- When she opened it she got to see the child, and here the boy was weeping. At that she felt compassion for him, although she said; This is one of the children of the Hebrews. **(Exodus 2:6)**
- Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter; Shall I go and specially call for you a nursing woman from the Hebrew women that she may nurse the child for you? **(Exodus 2:7)**
- So Pharaoh's daughter said to her; Go! At once the maiden went and called the child's mother. **(Exodus 2:8)**
- Pharaoh's daughter then said to her; Take this child with you and nurse him for me, and I myself shall give you your wages. Accordingly the woman took the child and nursed him. **(Exodus 2:9)**
- And the child grew up. Then she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, so that he became a son to her, and she proceeded to call his name **Moses** and to say; It is because I have drawn him out of the water. **(Exodus 2:10)**
- In that particular time **Moses** was born, and he was divinely beautiful. And he was nursed three months in his father's home. **(Acts of Apostles 7:20)**
- But when he was exposed, the daughter of Pharaoh picked him up and brought him up as her own son. **(Acts of Apostles 7:21)**
- Consequently **Moses** was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians. In fact, he was powerful in his words and deeds. **(Acts of Apostles 7:22)**
- In spite of his favored position and the opportunities offered to him in Egypt, **Moses** heart was with God's enslaved people. In fact, he hoped to be used by God to bring deliverance to them.
- In the 40th year of his life, while making observation of the burdens his Hebrew brothers were bearing, he saw an Egyptian striking a Hebrew.
- In taking up his fellow Israelites defense, he killed the Egyptian and buried him in the sand. It was at this point that Moses had made

the most important decision of his life. **Moses** thereby gave up the honor and materialism that he might have enjoyed as a member of the household of mighty Pharaoh.

- By faith **Moses**, when grown up, refused to be called the son of the daughter of Pharaoh. (**Hebrews 11:24**)
- Choosing to be ill-treated with the people of God rather than to have the temporary enjoyment of sin. (**Hebrews 11:25**)
- Actually, **Moses** felt that the time had come that he would be able to give the Hebrews salvation. But they did not appreciate his efforts, and Moses was forced to flee from Egypt when Pharaoh heard of the slaying of the Egyptian.
- Now it came about in those days, as **Moses** was becoming strong, that he went out to his brothers that he might look at the burdens they were bearing, and he caught sight of a certain Egyptian striking a certain Hebrew of his brothers. (**Exodus 2:11**)
- So he turned this way and that and saw there was nobody in sight. Then he struck the Egyptian down and hid him in the sand. (**Exodus 2:12**)
- However, he went out on the following day and here there were two Hebrew men struggling with each other. So he said to the one in the wrong; Why should you strike your companion? (**Exodus 2:13**)
- At this he said; Who appointed you as a prince and judge over us? Are you intending to kill me just as you killed the Egyptian? **Moses** now got afraid and said; Surely the thing has become known! (**Exodus 2:14**)
- Subsequently Pharaoh got to hear of this thing, and he attempted to kill **Moses**, but **Moses** ran away from Pharaoh that he might dwell in the land of Midian, and he took a seat by a well. (**Exodus 2:15**)
- Now when the time of his fortieth year was being fulfilled, it came into his heart to make an inspection of his brothers, the sons of Israel. (**Acts of Apostles 7:23**)
- And when he caught sight of a certain one being unjustly treated,

he defended him and executed vengeance for the one being abused by striking the Egyptian down. ([Acts of Apostles 7:24](#))

- He was supposing his brothers would grasp that God was giving them salvation by his hand, but they did not grasp it. ([Acts of Apostles 7:25](#))
- And the next day he appeared to them as they were fighting, and he tried to bring them together again in peace, saying; Men, you are brothers. Why do you treat each other unjustly? ([Acts of Apostles 7:26](#))
- But the one that was treating his neighbor unjustly thrust him away, saying; Who appointed you ruler and judge over us? ([Acts of Apostles 7:27](#))
- You do not want to do away with me in the same manner that you did away with the Egyptian yesterday, do you? ([Acts of Apostles 7:28](#))
- At this speech **Moses** took to flight and became an alien resident in the land of Midian, where he became the father of two sons. ([Acts of Apostles 7:29](#))

•• **Forty Years In Midian**

- It was a long journey across wilderness territory to Midian, where **Moses** sought refuge. There, at a well, Moses courage and readiness to act forcefully to help those suffering injustice again came to the fore.
- When shepherds drove away the seven daughters of Jethro and their flock, Moses delivered the women and watered the flocks for them.
- As a result he was invited to Jethro's house, where he entered Jethro's employment as a shepherd for his flocks and eventually married one of Jethro's daughters, Zipporah, who bore him two sons, Gershom and Eliezer.
- Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters, and as usual they came and drew water and filled the gutters to water their fathers flock. ([Exodus 2:16](#))

- And as usual the shepherds came and drove them away. At this **Moses** got up and helped the women out and watered their flock. (**Exodus 2:17**)
- So when they came home to Reuel their father he exclaimed; How is it you have come home so quickly today? (**Exodus 2:18**)
- To this they said; A certain Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds and, besides, he actually drew water for us that he might water the flock. (**Exodus 2:19**)
- Then he said to his daughters; But where is he? Why is it that you have left the man behind? Call him, that he may eat bread. (**Exodus 2:20**)
- After that **Moses** showed willingness to dwell with the man, and he gave Zipporah his daughter to Moses. (**Exodus 2:21**)
- Later she bore a son and he called his name Gershom, because, he said; An alien resident I have come to be in a foreign land. (**Exodus 2:22**)
- So Jethro, **Moses** father-in-law, took Zipporah, Moses wife, after the sending of her away. (**Exodus 18:2**)
- And her two sons, the name of one of whom was Gershom, because, he said; An alien resident I have come to be in a foreign land. (**Exodus 18:3**)
- And the name of the other was Eliezer, because, to quote him, the God of my father is my helper in that he delivered me from Pharaoh's sword. (**Exodus 18:4**)

· Training For Future Service

- While it was God's purpose to deliver the Hebrews by the hand of **Moses**, God's due time had not yet arrived, neither was **Moses** yet qualified to serve over God's people. He had to undergo another 40 years of training.
- The qualities of patience, meekness, humility, long-suffering, mildness of temper, self-control, and learning to wait on Yehowah needed to be developed in him to a higher degree, in order for him to be the fitting one to lead God's people.

- He had to be groomed and prepared to endure the discouragements, disappointments, and hardships he would encounter, and to handle with loving-kindness, calmness, and strength the multitude of problems a great nation would present.
- He possessed much learning, and his training as a member of Pharaoh's household had doubtless given him dignity, confidence, and poise and had accentuated his ability to organize and command. But the lowly occupation of shepherding in Midian provided the training needed to develop fine qualities that would be even more important for the task ahead of him.
- Similarly, David underwent rigorous training, even after being anointed by Samuel, and Jesus Christ was tried, tested, and proved, to be perfected as King and High Priest forever.
- Although he was a Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. (**Hebrews 5:8**)
- And after he had been made perfect he became responsible for everlasting salvation to all those obeying him. (**Hebrews 5:9**)

•• His Appointment As Deliverer

- Toward the end of his 40-year sojourn in Midian, **Moses** was shepherding Jethro's flock near Mount Horeb when he was amazed to see a thornbush flaming with fire but not consumed.
- As he approached to inspect this great phenomenon, Yehowah's angel spoke out of the flame, revealing that it was now time for God to deliver Israel out of bondage and commissioning **Moses** to go in His memorial name Yehowah.
- And **Moses** became a shepherd of the flock of Jethro, the priest of Midian, whose son-in-law he was. While he was driving the flock to the west side of the wilderness, he came at length to the mountain of the true God, to Horeb. (**Exodus 3:1**)
- Then Yehowah's angel appeared to him in a flame of fire in the midst of a thorn bush. As he kept looking, why, here the thorn bush was burning with the fire and yet the thorn bush was not consumed. (**Exodus 3:2**)

- At this **Moses** said; Let me just turn aside that I may inspect this great phenomenon, as to why the thorn bush is not burnt up. (**Exodus 3:3**)
- When Yehowah saw that he turned aside to inspect, God at once called to him out of the midst of the thorn bush and said; **Moses! Moses!** To which he said; Here I am. (**Exodus 3:4**)
- Then he said; Do not come near here. Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place where you are standing is holy ground. (**Exodus 3:5**)
- And he went on to say; I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Then **Moses** concealed his face, because he was afraid to look at the true God. (**Exodus 3:6**)
- And Yehowah added; Unquestionably I have seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and I have heard their outcry as a result of those who drive them to work, because I well know the pains they suffer. (**Exodus 3:7**)
- And I am proceeding to go down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a land good and spacious, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the locality of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. (**Exodus 3:8**)
- And now, look! The outcry of the sons of Israel has come to me, and I have seen also the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. (**Exodus 3:9**)
- And now come and let me send you to Pharaoh, and you bring my people the sons of Israel out of Egypt. (**Exodus 3:10**)
- However, **Moses** said to the true God; Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and that I have to bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt? (**Exodus 3:11**)
- To this he said; Because I shall prove to be with you, and this is the sign for you that it is I who have sent you. After you have brought the people out of Egypt, you people will serve the true God on this mountain. (**Exodus 3:12**)

- Nevertheless, **Moses** said to the true God; Suppose I am now come to the sons of Israel and I do say to them, The God of your forefathers has sent me to you, and they do say to me, What is his name? What shall I say to them? (**Exodus 3:13**)
- At this God said to **Moses**; I SHALL PROVE TO BE WHAT I SHALL PROVE TO BE. And he added; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, I SHALL PROVE TO BE has sent me to you. (**Exodus 3:14**)
- Then God said once more to **Moses**; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, Yehowah the God of your forefathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name to time indefinite, and this is the memorial of me to generation after generation. (**Exodus 3:15**)
- Thus God appointed **Moses** as His prophet and representative, and Moses could now correctly be called an anointed one, or messiah, or the Christ as at;
- Because he esteemed the reproach of the Christ as riches greater than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked intently toward the payment of the reward. (**Hebrews 11:26**)
- Yehowah, through the angel, provided credentials that Moses could present to the older men of Israel. These were in the form of three miracles as signs. Here, for the first time in the Scriptures, we read of a human empowered to perform miracles.
- However, **Moses** in answering said; But suppose they do not believe me and do not listen to my voice, because they are going to say; Yehowah did not appear to you. (**Exodus 4:1**)
- Then Yehowah said to him; What is that in your hand? To which he said; A rod. (**Exodus 4:2**)
- Next he said; Throw it on the earth. So he threw it on the earth, and it became a serpent, and **Moses** began to flee from it. (**Exodus 4:3**)
- Yehowah now said to **Moses**; Thrust your hand out and grab hold of it by the tail. So he thrust his hand out and grabbed hold of it, and it became a rod in his palm. (**Exodus 4:4**)
- In order, that, to quote him, they may believe that Yehowah the

God of their forefathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you. (**Exodus 4:5**)

- Then Yehowah said to him once more; Stick your hand, please, into the upper fold of your garment. So he stuck his hand into the upper fold of his garment. When he drew it out, why, here his hand was stricken with leprosy like snow! (**Exodus 4:6**)
- After that he said; Return your hand into the upper fold of your garment. So he returned his hand into the upper fold of his garment. When he drew it out of the upper fold of his garment, why, here it was restored like the rest of his flesh! (**Exodus 4:7**)
- And it must occur that, to quote him, if they will not believe you and will not listen to the voice of the first sign, then they will certainly believe the voice of the later sign. (**Exodus 4:8**)
- Still, it must occur that, if they will not believe even these two signs and will not listen to your voice, then you will have to take some water from the Nile River and pour it out on the dry land, and the water that you will take from the Nile River will certainly become, yes, it will indeed become blood on the dry land. (**Exodus 4:9**)

•• Moses Not Disqualified Because Of Diffidence

- But **Moses** showed **diffidence**, arguing that he was unable to speak fluently. Here was a changed **Moses**, quite different from the one who had, of his own accord, offered himself as Israel's deliverer 40 years earlier.
- He continued to remonstrate with Yehowah, finally asking Yehowah to excuse him from the task. Although this aroused God's anger, he did not reject Moses but provided **Moses** brother Aaron as a mouthpiece.
- Thus, as **Moses** was representative for God, so **Moses** became as God to Aaron, who spoke representatively for him. In the ensuing meeting with the older men of Israel and the encounters with Pharaoh, it appears that God gave **Moses** the instructions and commands and **Moses**, in turn, relayed them to Aaron, so that Aaron did the actual speaking before Pharaoh, a successor of the Pharaoh from whom **Moses** had fled 40 years previously.

- And it came about during those many days that the king of Egypt finally died, but the sons of Israel continued to sigh because of the slavery and to cry out in complaint, and their cry for help kept going up to the true God because of the slavery. (**Exodus 2:23**)
- **Moses** now said to Yehowah; Excuse me, Yehowah, but I am not a fluent speaker, neither since yesterday nor since before that nor since your speaking to your servant, for I am slow of mouth and slow of tongue. (**Exodus 4:10**)
- At that Yehowah said to him; Who appointed a mouth for man or who appoints the speechless or the deaf or the clear-sighted or the blind? Is it not I, Yehowah? (**Exodus 4:11**)
- So now go, and I myself shall prove to be with your mouth and I will teach you what you ought to say. (**Exodus 4:12**)
- But he said; Excuse me, Yehowah, but send, please, by the hand of the one whom you are going to send. (**Exodus 4:13**)
- Then Yehowah's anger grew hot against **Moses** and he said; Is not Aaron the Levite your brother? I do know that he can really speak. And, besides, here he is on his way out to meet you. When he does see you, he will certainly rejoice in his heart. (**Exodus 4:14**)
- And you must speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I myself shall prove to be with your mouth and his mouth, and I will teach you men what you are to do. (**Exodus 4:15**)
- And he must speak for you to the people, and it must occur that he will serve as a mouth to you, and you will serve as God to him. (**Exodus 4:16**)
- And this rod you will take in your hand that you may perform the signs with it. (**Exodus 4:17**)
- Later, Yehowah spoke of Aaron as **Moses** prophet, meaning that, as Moses was God's prophet, directed by him, so Aaron should be directed by **Moses**.

- Also, **Moses** was told that he was being made God to Pharaoh, that is, given divine power and authority over Pharaoh, so that there was now no need to be afraid of the king of Egypt.
- Consequently Yehowah said to **Moses**; See, I have made you God to Pharaoh, and Aaron your own brother will become your prophet. (**Exodus 7:1**)
- You, you will speak all that I shall command you, and Aaron your brother will do the speaking to Pharaoh, and he must send the sons of Israel away from his land. (**Exodus 7:2**)
- Though reproving him, God did not cancel **Moses** assignment because of his reluctance to take up the tremendous task as deliverer of Israel. **Moses** had not demurred because of old age, even though he was 80. Forty years later, at the age of 120 years, **Moses** still had full vigor and alertness.
- And **Moses** was a hundred and twenty years old at his death. His eye had not grown dim, and his vital strength had not fled. (**Deuteronomy 34:7**)
- During his 40 years in Midian, **Moses** had had much time to meditate, and he had come to see the mistake he had made in trying to deliver the Hebrews on his own initiative. He now realized his own inadequacy.
- And after this long time, detached from all public affairs, it was doubtless quite a shock to be suddenly offered this role.
- Later the Bible tells us; The man **Moses** was by far the meekest of all the men who were upon the surface of the ground.
- And the man **Moses** was by far the meekest of all the men who were upon the surface of the ground. (**Numbers 12:3**)
- As a meek person, he recognized that he was a mere human, with imperfections and weaknesses. He did not push himself forward as Israel's invincible leader. He expressed, not fear of Pharaoh, but an acute awareness of his own limitations.

·· Before Pharaoh Of Egypt

- **Moses** and Aaron were now key figures in a battle of the gods. In the persons of the magic-practicing priests, the chiefs of whom were apparently named Jannes and Jambres
- Now in the way that Jannes and Jambres resisted **Moses**, so these also go on resisting the truth, men completely corrupted in mind, disapproved as regards the faith. (**2 Timothy 3:8**)
- Pharaoh summoned the power of all the gods of Egypt against the power of Yehowah. The first miracle that Aaron performed before Pharaoh at **Moses** direction proved Yehowah's supremacy over the gods of Egypt, even though Pharaoh became more obstinate.
- Yehowah now said to **Moses** and Aaron. (**Exodus 7:8**)
- In case that Pharaoh speaks to you, saying; Produce a miracle for yourselves, then you must say to Aaron, Take your rod and throw it down before Pharaoh. It will become a big snake. (**Exodus 7:9**)
- So **Moses** and Aaron went on in to Pharaoh and did exactly as Yehowah had commanded. Accordingly Aaron threw his rod down before Pharaoh and his servants and it became a big snake. (**Exodus 7:10**)
- However, Pharaoh also called for the wise men and the sorcerers, and the magic-practicing priests of Egypt themselves also proceeded to do the same thing with their magic arts. (**Exodus 7:11**)
- So they threw down each one his rod, and they became big snakes, but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. (**Exodus 7:12**)
- Still, Pharaoh's heart became obstinate, and he did not listen to them, just as Yehowah had spoken. (**Exodus 7:13**)
- Later, when the third plague occurred, even the priests were forced to admit, It is the finger of God! And they were so severely stricken by the plague of boils that they were altogether unable even to appear before Pharaoh to oppose **Moses** during that plague.
- Yehowah now said to **Moses**; Say to Aaron, Stretch your rod out and strike the dust of the earth, and it must become gnats in all the land of Egypt. (**Exodus 8:16**)

- And they proceeded to do this. So Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod and struck the dust of the earth, and the gnats came to be on man and beast. All the dust of the earth became gnats in all the land of Egypt. (**Exodus 8:17**)
- And the magic-practicing priests tried to do the same by their secret arts, in order to bring forth gnats, but they were unable. And the gnats came to be on man and beast. (**Exodus 8:18**)
- Hence the magic-practicing priests said to Pharaoh; It is the finger of God! But Pharaoh's heart continued to be obstinate, and he did not listen to them, just as Yehowah had spoken. (**Exodus 8:19**)
- So they took the soot of a kiln and stood before Pharaoh, and **Moses** tossed it toward the heavens, and it became boils with blisters, breaking out on man and beast. (**Exodus 9:10**)
- And the magic-practicing priests were unable to stand before **Moses** as a result of the boils, because the boils had developed on the magic-practicing priests and on all the Egyptians. (**Exodus 9:11**)
- But Yehowah let Pharaoh's heart become obstinate, and he did not listen to them, just as Yehowah had stated to **Moses**. (**Exodus 9:12**)

•• **Plagues Do Softening And Hardening Work**

- **Moses** and Aaron became the announcers of each of the Ten Plagues. The plagues came as announced, proving **Moses** commission as Yehowah's representative.
- Yehowah's name was declared and much talked about in Egypt, accomplishing both a softening and a hardening toward that name softening the Israelites and some of the Egyptians, hardening Pharaoh and his advisers and supporters.
- But, in fact, for this cause I have kept you in existence, for the sake of showing you my power and in order to have my name declared in all the earth. (**Exodus 9:16**)
- And **Moses** and Aaron performed all these miracles before

Pharaoh, but Yehowah would let Pharaoh's heart become obstinate, so that he did not send the sons of Israel away from his land. (**Exodus 11:10**)

- And it came about that at midnight Yehowah struck every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh sitting on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the prison hole, and every firstborn of beast. (**Exodus 12:29**)
- Then Pharaoh got up at night, he and all his servants and all other Egyptians, and there began arising a great outcry among the Egyptians, because there was not a house where there was not one dead. (**Exodus 12:30**)
- At once he called **Moses** and Aaron by night and said; Get up, get out from the midst of my people, both you and the other sons of Israel, and go, serve Yehowah, just as you have stated. (**Exodus 12:31**)
- Take both your flocks and your herds, just as you have stated, and go. Also, you must bless me besides. (**Exodus 12:32**)
- And the Egyptians began to urge the people in order to send them away quickly out of the land, because, they said; We are all as good as dead! (**Exodus 12:33**)
- Consequently the people carried their flour dough before it was leavened, with their kneading troughs wrapped up in their mantles upon their shoulder. (**Exodus 12:34**)
- And the sons of Israel did according to the word of **Moses** in that they went asking from the Egyptians articles of silver and articles of gold and mantles. (**Exodus 12:35**)
- And Yehowah gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians, so that these granted them what was asked, and they stripped the Egyptians. (**Exodus 12:36**)
- And the sons of Israel proceeded to depart from Rameses for Succoth, to the number of six hundred thousand able-bodied men on foot, besides little ones. (**Exodus 12:37**)
- And a vast mixed company also went up with them, as well as flocks and herds, a very numerous stock of animals. (**Exodus**

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- **And they began to bake the flour dough that they had brought out from Egypt into round cakes, unfermented cakes, because it had not leavened, for they had been driven out of Egypt and had not been able to linger and too they had not prepared any provisions for themselves. (Exodus 12:39)**
- **Instead of believing that they had offended their gods, the Egyptians **knew** that it was Yehowah who was judging their gods.**
- **By the time nine plagues had been executed, **Moses** too had become very great in the land of Egypt, in the eyes of Pharaoh's servants and in the eyes of the people.**
- **Accordingly Yehowah gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians. The man **Moses** too was very great in the land of Egypt, in the eyes of Pharaoh's servants and in the eyes of the people. (Exodus 11:3)**
- **There was a marked change in the men of Israel also. They had at first accepted **Moses** credentials, but after experiencing harder working conditions at the order of Pharaoh, they complained against him to the point that **Moses** in discouragement appealed to Yehowah.**
- **After that **Moses** and Aaron went and gathered all the older men of the sons of Israel. (Exodus 4:29)**
- **Then Aaron spoke all the words that Yehowah had spoken to **Moses**, and he performed the signs under the eyes of the people. (Exodus 4:30)**
- **At this the people believed. When they heard that Yehowah had turned his attention to the sons of Israel and that he had seen their affliction, then they bowed down and prostrated themselves. (Exodus 4:31)**
- **Then the officers of the sons of Israel saw themselves in an evil plight at the saying; You must not deduct from your bricks one bit of anyone's daily rate. (Exodus 5:19)**
- **After that they encountered **Moses** and Aaron, who were standing there to meet them as they came out from Pharaoh. (Exodus 5:20)**

- **At once they said to them; May Yehowah look upon you and judge, since you have made us smell offensive before Pharaoh and before his servants so as to put a sword in their hand to kill us. (Exodus 5:21)**
- **Then Moses turned to Yehowah and said; Yehowah, why have you caused evil to this people? Why is it that you have sent me? (Exodus 5:22)**
- **For from the time that I went in before Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people, and you have by no means delivered your people. (Exodus 5:23)**
- **The Most High at that time strengthened him by revealing that He was now going to fulfill that for which Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob had looked, namely, the full revealing of the meaning of his name Yehowah in delivering Israel and establishing it as a great nation in the land of promise.**
- **So Yehowah said to Moses; Now you will see what I shall do to Pharaoh, because on account of a strong hand he will send them away and on account of a strong hand he will drive them out of his land. (Exodus 6:1)**
- **And God went on to speak to Moses and to say to him; I am Yehowah. (Exodus 6:2)**
- **And I used to appear to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as God Almighty, but as respects my name Yehowah I did not make myself known to them. (Exodus 6:3)**
- **And I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their alien residences in which they resided as aliens. (Exodus 6:4)**
- **And I, even I, have heard the groaning of the sons of Israel, whom the Egyptians are enslaving, and I remember my covenant. (Exodus 6:5)**
- **Therefore say to the sons of Israel, I am Yehowah, and I shall certainly bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians and deliver you from their slavery, and I shall indeed reclaim you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. (Exodus**

6:6)

- **And I shall certainly take you to me as a people, and I shall indeed prove to be God to you, and you will certainly know that I am Yehowah your God who is bringing you out from under the burdens of Egypt. (Exodus 6:7)**
- **And I shall certainly bring you into the land that I raised my hand in oath to give to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and I shall indeed give it to you as something to possess. I am Yehowah. (Exodus 6:8)**
- **Even then the men of Israel did not listen to **Moses**. But now, after the ninth plague, they were solidly behind him, cooperating so that, after the tenth plague, he could organize them and lead them out in an orderly way, in battle formation.**
- **Hence God made the people go round about by the way of the wilderness of the Red Sea. But it was in battle formation that the sons of Israel went up out of the land of Egypt. (Exodus 13:18)**

·· Courage And Faith Required To Face Pharaoh

- **It was only in the strength of Yehowah and due to the operation of his spirit upon them that **Moses** and Aaron proved equal to the task set before them. Picture the court of Pharaoh, the king of the undisputed world power of that time.**
- **Here was unparalleled splendor, the haughty Pharaoh, supposed to be a god himself, surrounded by his advisers, military commanders, guards, and slaves.**
- **Moreover, there were the religious leaders, the magic-practicing priests, chief among Moses opposers. These men were, aside from Pharaoh himself, the most powerful men in the realm. All this impressive array was aligned to back up Pharaoh in support of the gods of Egypt.**
- **And **Moses** and Aaron came before Pharaoh, not once, but many times, Pharaoh's heart getting harder each time, because he was determined to keep his valuable Hebrew slaves under his domination.**

- In fact, after announcing the eighth plague, **Moses** and Aaron were driven out from before Pharaoh, and after the ninth plague they were ordered not to try to see Pharaoh's face again on pain of death.
- Not so! Go, please, you who are able-bodied men, and serve Yehowah, because that is what you are seeking to secure. With that they were driven out from before Pharaoh. (**Exodus 10:11**)
- So Pharaoh said to him; Get out from me! Watch yourself! Do not try to see my face again, because on the day of your seeing my face you will die. (**Exodus 10:28**)
- With these things in mind, it becomes most understandable that **Moses** repeatedly appealed to Yehowah for assurance and strength. But it must be noted that he never failed to carry out to the letter what Yehowah commanded.
- He never diminished one word of that which Yehowah gave him to tell Pharaoh, and **Moses** leadership was such that, at the time of the tenth plague, all the sons of Israel did just as Yehowah had commanded Moses and Aaron. They did just so.
- So all the sons of Israel did just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses** and Aaron. They did just so. (**Exodus 12:50**)
- **Moses** is held before Christians as an example of outstanding faith. The apostle Paul says of him; By faith he left Egypt, but not fearing the anger of the king, for he continued steadfast as seeing the One who is invisible.
- By faith he left Egypt, but not fearing the anger of the king, for he continued steadfast as seeing the One who is invisible. (**Hebrews 11:27**)
- Before the tenth plague, **Moses** was privileged to institute the Passover.
- Yehowah now said to **Moses** and Aaron in the land of Egypt. (**Exodus 12:1**)
- This month will be the start of the months for you. It will be the first of the months of the year for you. (**Exodus 12:2**)
- Speak to the entire assembly of Israel, saying; On the tenth day

- of this month they are to take for themselves each one a sheep for the ancestral house, a sheep to a house. (**Exodus 12:3**)
- **But if the household proves to be too small for the sheep, then he and his neighbor close by must take it into his house according to the number of souls. You should compute each one proportionate to his eating as regards the sheep. (**Exodus 12:4**)**
 - **The sheep should prove to be sound, a male, a year old, for you. You may pick from the young rams or from the goats. (**Exodus 12:5**)**
 - **And it must continue under safeguard by you until the fourteenth day of this month, and the whole congregation of the assembly of Israel must slaughter it between the two evenings. (**Exodus 12:6**)**
 - **And they must take some of the blood and splash it upon the two doorposts and the upper part of the doorway belonging to the houses in which they will eat it. (**Exodus 12:7**)**
 - **And they must eat the flesh on this night. They should eat it roasted with fire and with unfermented cakes along with bitter greens. (**Exodus 12:8**)**
 - **Do not eat any of it raw or boiled, cooked in water, but roast with fire, its head together with its shanks and its interior parts. (**Exodus 12:9**)**
 - **And you must not leave any of it over till morning, but what is left over of it till morning you should burn with fire. (**Exodus 12:10**)**
 - **And in this way you should eat it, with your hips girded, sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand, and you must eat it in haste. It is Yehowah's Passover. (**Exodus 12:11**)**
 - **And I must pass through the land of Egypt on this night and strike every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from man to beast, and on all the gods of Egypt I shall execute judgments. I am Yehowah. (**Exodus 12:12**)**
 - **And the blood must serve as your sign upon the houses where you are, and I must see the blood and pass over you, and the**

plague will not come on you as a ruination when I strike at the land of Egypt. ([Exodus 12:13](#))

- And this day must serve as a memorial for you, and you must celebrate it as a festival to Yehowah throughout your generations. As a statute to time indefinite you should celebrate it. ([Exodus 12:14](#))
- Seven days you are to eat unfermented cakes. Yes, on the first day you are to take away sourdough from your houses, because anyone eating what is leavened, from the first day down to the seventh, that soul must be cut off from Israel. ([Exodus 12:15](#))
- And on the first day there is to take place for you a holy convention, and on the seventh day a holy convention. No work is to be done on them. Only what every soul needs to eat, that alone may be done for you. ([Exodus 12:16](#))
- At the Red Sea, **Moses** had to face further complaints of the people, who appeared trapped and about to be slaughtered. But he expressed the faith of a true leader under Yehowah's mighty hand, assuring Israel that Yehowah would destroy the pursuing Egyptian army.
- In this crisis he apparently called out to Yehowah, for God said to him; Why do you keep crying out to me? Then God commanded **Moses** to lift up his rod and stretch his hand out over the sea and split it apart.
- When Pharaoh got close by, the sons of Israel began to raise their eyes and here the Egyptians were marching after them, and the sons of Israel got quite afraid and began to cry out to Yehowah. ([Exodus 14:10](#))
- And they proceeded to say to **Moses**; Is it because there are no burial places at all in Egypt that you have taken us here to die in the wilderness? What is this that you have done to us in leading us out of Egypt? ([Exodus 14:11](#))
- Is this not the word we spoke to you in Egypt, saying; Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it is better for us to serve the Egyptians than for us to die in the wilderness. ([Exodus 14:12](#))
- Then **Moses** said to the people; Do not be afraid. Stand firm and

- see the salvation of Yehowah, which he will perform for you today. For the Egyptians whom you do see today you will not see again, no, never again. (**Exodus 14:13**)
- Yehowah will himself fight for you, and you yourselves will be silent. (**Exodus 14:14**)
 - Yehowah now said to **Moses**; Why do you keep crying out to me? Speak to the sons of Israel that they should break camp. (**Exodus 14:15**)
 - As for you, lift up your rod and stretch your hand out over the sea and split it apart, that the sons of Israel may go through the midst of the sea on dry land. (**Exodus 14:16**)
 - As for me, here I am letting the hearts of the Egyptians become obstinate, that they may go in after them and that I may get glory for myself by means of Pharaoh and all his military forces, his war chariots and his cavalymen. (**Exodus 14:17**)
 - And the Egyptians will certainly know that I am Yehowah when I get glory for myself by means of Pharaoh, his war chariots and his cavalymen. (**Exodus 14:18**)
 - Centuries later the apostle Paul said, of Israel's subsequent crossing of the Red Sea; Our forefathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea and all got baptized into **Moses** by means of the cloud and of the sea.
 - Now I do not want you to be ignorant, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea (**1 Corinthians 10:1**)
 - And all got baptized into **Moses** by means of the cloud and of the sea. (**1 Corinthians 10:2**)
 - Yehowah did the baptizing. To be delivered from their murderous pursuers, the Jewish forefathers had to unite themselves with **Moses** as head and follow his leadership as he led them through the sea. The entire congregation of Israel was thus, in effect, immersed into the liberator and leader **Moses**.

·· Mediator Of The Law Covenant

- **In the third month after the Exodus from Egypt, Yehowah demonstrated before all Israel the greatness of the authority and responsibility that he placed upon his servant **Moses** as well as the intimacy of **Moses** position with God.**
- **Before all Israel, gathered at the foot of Mount Horeb, Yehowah called Moses into the mountain and, by means of an angel, spoke with him. On one occasion **Moses** was privileged to have what was probably the most awe-inspiring experience of any man prior to the coming of Jesus Christ.**
- **High in the mountain, alone, Yehowah gave him a vision of his glory, putting his palm over Moses as a screen, allowing **Moses** to see his back, evidently the afterglow of this divine manifestation of glory. Then he spoke to **Moses** personally, as it were.**
- **In the third month after the sons of Israel came out of the land of Egypt, on the same day, they came into the wilderness of Sinai. (**Exodus 19:1**)**
- **And they proceeded to pull away from Rephidim and to come into the wilderness of Sinai and to encamp in the wilderness, and Israel went camping there in front of the mountain. (**Exodus 19:2**)**
- **And **Moses** went up to the true God, and Yehowah began to call to him out of the mountain, saying; This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the sons of Israel. (**Exodus 19:3**)**
- **At this he said; Cause me to see, please, your glory. (**Exodus 33:18**)**
- **But he said; I myself shall cause all my goodness to pass before your face, and I will declare the name of Yehowah before you, and I will favor the one whom I may favor, and I will show mercy to the one to whom I may show mercy. (**Exodus 33:19**)**
- **And he added; You are not able to see my face, because no man may see me and yet live. (**Exodus 33:20**)**
- **And Yehowah said further; Here is a place with me, and you must station yourself upon the rock. (**Exodus 33:21**)**
- **And it has to occur that while my glory is passing by I must place**

- you in a hole in the rock, and I must put my palm over you as a screen until I have passed by. ([Exodus 33:22](#))
- After that I must take my palm away, and you will indeed see my back. But my face may not be seen. ([Exodus 33:23](#))
 - Accordingly **Moses** carved out two tablets of stone like the first ones and got up early in the morning and went on up into Mount Sinai, just as Yehowah had commanded him, and he was taking the two tablets of stone in his hand. ([Exodus 34:4](#))
 - And Yehowah proceeded to come down in the cloud and station himself with him there and declare the name of Yehowah. ([Exodus 34:5](#))
 - And Yehowah went passing by before his face and declaring: Yehowah, Yehowah, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abundant in loving-kindness and truth. ([Exodus 34:6](#))
 - Yehowah told **Moses**;
 - And he added; You are not able to see my face, because no man may see me and yet live. ([Exodus 33:20](#))
 - And centuries later, the apostle John wrote. No man has seen God at any time.
 - No man has seen God at any time, the only-begotten god who is in the bosom position with the Father is the one that has explained him. ([John 1:18](#))
 - The Christian martyr Stephen told the Jews; This **Moses** is he that came to be among the congregation in the wilderness with the angel that spoke to him on Mount Sinai.
 - This is he that came to be among the congregation in the wilderness with the angel that spoke to him on Mount Sinai and with our forefathers, and he received living sacred pronouncements to give you. ([Acts of Apostles 7:38](#))
 - So Yehowah was represented on the mountain by an angel. Nevertheless, such was the glory of Yehowah as manifested by Yehowah's angelic representative that the skin of **Moses** face emitted rays so that the sons of Israel could not bear to look at him.

- Now it came about when **Moses** came down from Mount Sinai that the two tablets of the Testimony were in the hand of Moses when he came down from the mountain, and **Moses** did not know that the skin of his face emitted rays because of his having spoken with him. (**Exodus 34:29**)
- When Aaron and all the sons of Israel got to see **Moses**, why, look! The skin of his face emitted rays and they grew afraid of coming near to him. (**Exodus 34:30**)
- And **Moses** proceeded to call them. So Aaron and all the chieftains among the assembly came back to him, and Moses began to speak to them. (**Exodus 34:31**)
- First after that all the sons of Israel came near to him, and he began commanding them all that Yehowah had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. (**Exodus 34:32**)
- When **Moses** would finish speaking with them, he would put a veil over his face. (**Exodus 34:33**)
- But when **Moses** would go in before Yehowah to speak with him, he would take away the veil until his going out. And he went out and spoke to the sons of Israel what he would be commanded. (**Exodus 34:34**)
- And the sons of Israel saw **Moses** face, that the skin of Moses face emitted rays, and Moses put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with him. (**Exodus 34:35**)
- Moreover, if the code which administers death and which was engraved in letters in stones came about in a glory, so that the sons of Israel could not gaze intently at the face of **Moses** because of the glory of his face, a glory that was to be done away with. (**2 Corinthians 3:7**)
- And not doing as when **Moses** would put a veil upon his face, that the sons of Israel might not gaze intently at the end of that which was to be done away with. (**2 Corinthians 3:13**)
- God constituted **Moses** mediator of the Law covenant with Israel, an intimate position such as no man has ever held before God except Jesus Christ, the Mediator of the New Covenant.

- **With the blood of animal sacrifices Moses sprinkled the book of the covenant, representing Yehowah as one party, and the people, no doubt the representative older men, as the other party. He read the book of the covenant to the people, who replied, All that Yehowah has spoken we are willing to do and be obedient.**
- **Then **Moses** came and related to the people all the words of Yehowah and all the judicial decisions, and all the people answered with one voice and said; All the words that Yehowah has spoken we are willing to do. (Exodus 24:3)**
- **Accordingly **Moses** wrote down all the words of Yehowah. Then he got up early in the morning and built at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars corresponding with the twelve tribes of Israel. (Exodus 24:4)**
- **After that he sent young men of the sons of Israel and they offered up burnt offerings and sacrificed bulls as sacrifices, as communion sacrifices to Yehowah. (Exodus 24:5)**
- **Then **Moses** took half the blood and put it in bowls, and half the blood he sprinkled upon the altar. (Exodus 24:6)**
- **Finally he took the book of the covenant and read it in the ears of the people. Then they said; All that Yehowah has spoken we are willing to do and be obedient. (Exodus 24:7)**
- **So **Moses** took the blood and sprinkled it upon the people and said; Here is the blood of the covenant that Yehowah has concluded with you as respects all these words. (Exodus 24:8)**
- **For when every commandment according to the Law had been spoken by **Moses** to all the people, he took the blood of the young bulls and of the goats with water and scarlet wool and hyssop and sprinkled the book itself and all the people. (Hebrews 9:19)**
- **In his office of mediator, **Moses** was privileged to oversee the building of the tabernacle and the making of its utensils, the pattern of which God gave to him, and to install the priesthood in office, anointing the tabernacle and Aaron the High Priest with the oil of special composition. Then he took oversight of the first official services of the newly consecrated priesthood. (Exodus Chapters 25-29)(Leviticus Chapters 8,9)**

· A Fitting Mediator

- **Moses** went up Mount Horeb several times, remaining on two occasions for periods of 40 days and nights.
- Then **Moses** entered into the midst of the cloud and went on up the mountain. And **Moses** continued in the mountain forty days and forty nights. (**Exodus 24:18**)
- And he continued there with Yehowah forty days and forty nights. He ate no bread and he drank no water. And he proceeded to write upon the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Words. (**Exodus 34:28**)
- After the first of these occasions he returned with two stone tablets written on by God's finger, containing the Ten Words or Ten Commandments, the basic laws of the Law covenant.
- Now as soon as he had finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai he proceeded to give **Moses** two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone written on by God's finger. (**Exodus 31:18**)
- And he proceeded to state to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, the Ten Words, after which he wrote them upon two tablets of stone. (**Deuteronomy 4:13**)
- On this first occasion **Moses** showed himself to be fittingly qualified as mediator between Yehowah and Israel and leader of this great nation of perhaps three million or more.
- When **Moses** was in the mountain, Yehowah informed him that the people had turned to idolatry and Yehowah said; Now let me be, that my anger may blaze against them and I may exterminate them, and let me make you into a great nation.
- **Moses** immediate reply revealed that the sanctification of Yehowah's name was the thing of primary importance to him that he was completely unselfish and did not desire fame for himself. He asked nothing for himself but, rather, showed concern for Yehowah's name that He had recently exalted by the Red Sea miracle, and regard for God's promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

- Yehowah, in approval of **Moses** plea, spared the people. Here it is seen that Yehowah regarded **Moses** as satisfactorily filling his mediatorial role and that He respected the arrangement through which he had appointed **Moses** to that office.
- Thus, Yehowah began to feel regret over the evil that he had spoken of doing to his people, that is, because of altered circumstances, he changed his attitude regarding bringing evil upon them.
- Yehowah now said to **Moses**; Go, descend, because your people whom you led up out of the land of Egypt have acted ruinously. (**Exodus 32:7**)
- They have turned aside in a hurry from the way I have commanded them to go. They have made a molten statue of a calf for themselves and keep bowing down to it and sacrificing to it and saying; This is your God, O Israel, who led you up out of the land of Egypt. (**Exodus 32:8**)
- And Yehowah went on to say to **Moses**; I have looked at this people and here it is a stiff-necked people. (**Exodus 32:9**)
- So now let me be, that my anger may blaze against them and I may exterminate them, and let me make you into a great nation. (**Exodus 32:10**)
- And **Moses** proceeded to soften the face of Yehowah his God and to say; Why, O Yehowah, should your anger blaze against your people whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a strong hand? (**Exodus 32:11**)
- Why should the Egyptians say; With evil intent he brought them out in order to kill them among the mountains and to exterminate them from the surface of the ground? Turn from your burning anger and feel regret over the evil against your people. (**Exodus 32:12**)
- Remember Abraham, Isaac and Israel your servants, to whom you swore by yourself, in that you said to them, I shall multiply your seed like the stars of the heavens, and all this land that I have designated I shall give to your seed, that they may indeed take possession of it to time indefinite. (**Exodus 32:13**)

- And Yehowah began to feel regret over the evil that he had spoken of doing to his people. (**Exodus 32:14**)
- **Moses** zeal for true worship as he served in behalf of God was displayed when he got down from the mountain. Seeing the idolatrous revelers, he threw the tablets down, breaking them, and called for those who would take Yehowah's side.
- The tribe of Levi joined Moses, and he commanded them to put to death those engaging in the false worship. This resulted in the slaying of about 3,000 men.
- Then he returned to Yehowah, acknowledging the peoples great sin, and pleaded; But now if you will pardon their sin, and if not, wipe me out, please, from your book that you have written. God was not displeased at **Moses** mediatorial plea, but answered; Whoever has sinned against me, I shall wipe him out of my book.
- So it came about that as soon as he got near the camp and could see the calf and the dances, **Moses** anger began to blaze, and he at once threw the tablets from his hands and shattered them at the foot of the mountain. (**Exodus 32:19**)
- Then he took the calf that they had made and he burnt it with fire and crushed it till it was fine, after which he scattered it upon the surface of the waters and made the sons of Israel drink it. (**Exodus 32:20**)
- After that **Moses** said to Aaron; What did this people do to you that you have brought a great sin upon it? (**Exodus 32:21**)
- To this Aaron said; Do not let the anger of my lord blaze. You yourself well know the people, that they are evil-inclined. (**Exodus 32:22**)
- So they said to me; Make for us a god who will go ahead of us, because as regards this **Moses**, the man who led us up out of the land of Egypt, we certainly do not know what has happened to him. (**Exodus 32:23**)
- Hence I said to them; Who have any gold? They must tear it off themselves that they may give it to me. And I proceeded to throw it into the fire and this calf came on out. (**Exodus 32:24**)

- And **Moses** got to see that the people went unrestrained, because Aaron had let them go unrestrained for a disgrace among their opposers. (**Exodus 32:25**)
- Then **Moses** took his stand in the gate of the camp and said; Who is on Yehowah's side? To me! And all the sons of Levi began gathering themselves to him. (**Exodus 32:26**)
- He now said to them; This is what Yehowah the God of Israel has said; Put each one of you his sword on his side. Pass through and return from gate to gate in the camp and kill each one his brother and each one his fellow and each one his intimate acquaintance. (**Exodus 32:27**)
- And the sons of Levi proceeded to do as **Moses** had said, so that there fell of the people on that day about three thousand men. (**Exodus 32:28**)
- And **Moses** went on to say; Fill your hand today with power for Yehowah, because each one of you is against his own son and his own brother, and that he may confer a blessing upon you today. (**Exodus 32:29**)
- And it came about on the very next day that **Moses** proceeded to say to the people; You, you have sinned with a great sin, and now I shall go up to Yehowah. Perhaps I can make amends for your sin. (**Exodus 32:30**)
- So **Moses** returned to Yehowah and said; Ah, but this people has sinned with a great sin, in that they made a god of gold for themselves! (**Exodus 32:31**)
- But now if you will pardon their sin, and if not, wipe me out, please, from your book that you have written. (**Exodus 32:32**)
- However, Yehowah said to **Moses**; Whoever has sinned against me, I shall wipe him out of my book. (**Exodus 32:33**)
- Many were the times that **Moses** represented Yehowah's side of the covenant, commanding true, clean worship and executing judgment on disobedient ones. More than once he also stood between the nation, or individuals thereof, and their destruction at Yehowah's hand. (**Numbers Chapter 12**)

- Finally Yehowah said to **Moses**; How long will this people treat me without respect, and how long will they not put faith in me for all the signs that I performed in among them? (**Numbers 14:11**)
- Let me strike them with pestilence and drive them away, and let me make you a nation greater and mightier than they are. (**Numbers 14:12**)
- But **Moses** said to Yehowah; Then the Egyptians will be bound to hear that you by your power have led this people up out of their midst. (**Numbers 14:13**)
- And they will be bound to tell it to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that you are Yehowah in among this people, who has appeared face to face. You are Yehowah, and your cloud is standing over them, and you are going before them in the pillar of cloud by day and in the pillar of fire by night. (**Numbers 14:14**)
- Were you to put this people to death as one man, then the nations who have heard of your fame would certainly say this. (**Numbers 14:15**)
- Because of Yehowah's not being able to bring this people into the land about which he swore to them he proceeded to slaughter them in the wilderness. (**Numbers 14:16**)
- And now, please, let your power become great, O Yehowah, just as you have spoken, saying; (**Numbers 14:17**)
- Yehowah, slow to anger and abundant in loving-kindness, pardoning error and transgression, but by no means will he give exemption from punishment, bringing punishment for the error of the fathers upon sons, upon the third generation and upon the fourth generation. (**Numbers 14:18**)
- Forgive, please, the error of this people according to the greatness of your loving-kindness, and just as you have pardoned this people from Egypt onward until now. (**Numbers 14:19**)
- Then Yehowah said; I do forgive according to your word. (**Numbers 14:20**)

- And, on the other hand, as I live, all the earth will be filled with the glory of Yehowah. (**Numbers 14:21**)
- Yehowah now spoke to **Moses** and Aaron, saying; (**Numbers 16:20**)
- Separate yourselves from the midst of this assembly, that I may exterminate them in an instant. (**Numbers 16:21**)
- At this they fell upon their faces and said; O God, the God of the spirits of every sort of flesh, will just one man sin and you become indignant against the entire assembly? (**Numbers 16:22**)
- And **Moses** and Aaron proceeded to come before the tent of meeting. (**Numbers 16:43**)
- Then Yehowah spoke to **Moses**, saying; (**Numbers 16:44**)
- You men, rise up from the midst of this assembly, that I may exterminate them in an instant. At this they fell upon their faces. (**Numbers 16:45**)
- After that **Moses** said to Aaron; Take the fire holder and put fire from upon the altar in it and put on incense and go to the assembly in a hurry and make atonement for them, because the indignation has gone out from the face of Yehowah. The plague has started! (**Numbers 16:46**)
- Aaron at once took it, just as **Moses** had spoken, and went running into the midst of the congregation, and, look! The plague had started among the people. So he put the incense on and began making atonement for the people. (**Numbers 16:47**)
- And he kept standing between the dead and the living. Eventually the scourge was stopped. (**Numbers 16:48**)
- And those dead from the scourge amounted to fourteen thousand seven hundred, aside from those dead on account of Korah. (**Numbers 16:49**)
- When at last Aaron returned to **Moses** at the entrance of the tent of meeting, the scourge had been stopped. (**Numbers 16:50**)

- Finally the people came to **Moses** and said; We have sinned, because we have spoken against Yehowah and against you. Intercede with Yehowah that he may remove the serpents from upon us. And **Moses** went interceding in behalf of the people. (**Numbers 21:7**)
- And I proceeded to prostrate myself before Yehowah, as at first, forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank water, because of all your sin that you had committed in doing evil in the eyes of Yehowah so as to offend him. (**Deuteronomy 9:18**)
- For I was scared because of the hot anger with which Yehowah had got indignant at you to the point of annihilating you. However, Yehowah listened to me also that time. (**Deuteronomy 9:19**)
- At Aaron, too, Yehowah got very incensed to the point of annihilating him, but I made supplication also in behalf of Aaron at that particular time. (**Deuteronomy 9:20**)

·· **Unselfishness, Humility, Meekness**

- **Moses** chief interests were in Yehowah's name and His people. Consequently he was not one to seek glory or position. When Yehowah's spirit came upon certain men in the camp and they began to act as prophets, **Moses** assistant Joshua wanted to restrain them, evidently because he felt that they were detracting from Moses glory and authority. But **Moses** replied;
- After that **Moses** went out and spoke to the people the words of Yehowah. And he went gathering seventy men from the older men of the people and proceeded to have them stand round about the tent. (**Numbers 11:24**)
- Then Yehowah came down in a cloud and spoke to him and took away some of the spirit that was upon him and put it upon each of the seventy older men. And it came about that as soon as the spirit settled down upon them, then they proceeded to act as prophets, but they did not do it again. (**Numbers 11:25**)
- Now there were two of the men remaining in the camp. The name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other was Medad. And the spirit began to settle down upon them, as they were among those written down, but they had not gone out to

- the tent. So they proceeded to act as prophets in the camp.
(Numbers 11:26)
- And a young man went running and reporting to **Moses** and saying; Eldad and Medad are acting as prophets in the camp!
(Numbers 11:27)
 - Then Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of **Moses** from his young manhood on, responded and said; My lord **Moses**, restrain them! (Numbers 11:28)
 - However, **Moses** said to him; Are you feeling jealous for me? No, I wish that all of Yehowah's people were prophets, because Yehowah would put his spirit upon them! (Numbers 11:29)
 - Although he was Yehowah's appointed leader of the great nation of Israel, **Moses** was willing to accept counsel from others, particularly when it would be of value to the nation. Shortly after the Israelites left Egypt, Jethro visited **Moses**, bringing with him **Moses** wife and sons. Jethro observed how hard **Moses** was working, wearing himself out handling the problems of everyone who came to him.
 - He wisely suggested an orderly arrangement wherein Moses would delegate degrees of responsibility to others, to lighten his load. Moses listened to Jethro's advice, accepted it, and organized the people into thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens, with a chief over each group as a judge.
 - Only the difficult cases were then brought to Moses. It is noteworthy also that **Moses**, explaining to Jethro what he was doing, said; In the event that the people have a case arise, it must come to me and I must judge between the one party and the other, and **I must make known the decisions of the true God and his Laws.**
 - In this, **Moses** indicated that he recognized his duty to judge, not according to his own ideas, but according to Yehowah's decisions and that, moreover, he had the responsibility to help the people to know and recognize God's Laws.
 - So Jethro, **Moses** father-in-law, and his sons and his wife came to Moses into the wilderness where he was camping, at the mountain of the true God. (Exodus 18:5)
 - Then he sent word to **Moses**; I, your father-in-law, Jethro, am

come to you, and also your wife and her two sons with her.
(Exodus 18:6)

- At once **Moses** went on out to meet his father-in-law, and he proceeded to prostrate himself and to kiss him, and they each one began asking how the other was getting along. After that they went into the tent. (Exodus 18:7)
- And it came about on the next day that **Moses** sat down as usual to serve as judge for the people, and the people kept standing before **Moses** from the morning till the evening. (Exodus 18:13)
- And **Moses** father-in-law got to see all that he was doing for the people. So he said; What kind of business is this that you are doing for the people? Why do you alone continue sitting and all the people continue taking their stand before you from morning till evening? (Exodus 18:14)
- Then **Moses** said to his father-in-Law; Because the people keep coming to me to inquire of God. (Exodus 18:15)
- In the event that they have a case arise, it must come to me and I must judge between the one party and the other, and I must make known the decisions of the true God and his Laws. (Exodus 18:16)
- At this **Moses** father-in-law said to him; It is not good the way you are doing. (Exodus 18:17)
- You will surely wear out, both you and this people who are with you, because this business is too big a load for you. You are unable to do it by yourself. (Exodus 18:18)
- Now listen to my voice. I shall advise you, and God will prove to be with you. You yourself serve as representative for the people before the true God, and you yourself must bring the cases to the true God. (Exodus 18:19)
- And you must warn them of what the regulations and the laws are, and you must make known to them the way in which they should walk and the work that they should do. (Exodus 18:20)
- But you yourself should select out of all the people capable men, fearing God, trustworthy men, hating unjust profit, and you must

set these over them as chiefs over thousands, chiefs over hundreds, chiefs over fifties and chiefs over tens. (**Exodus 18:21**)

- **And they must judge the people on every proper occasion, and it must occur that every big case they will bring to you, but every small case they themselves will handle as judges. So make it lighter for yourself, and they must carry the load with you. (**Exodus 18:22**)**
- **If you do this very thing, and God has commanded you, you will then certainly be able to stand it and, besides, this people will all come to their own place in peace. (**Exodus 18:23**)**
- **Immediately **Moses** listened to the voice of his father-in-law and did all that he had said. (**Exodus 18:24**)**
- **And **Moses** proceeded to choose capable men out of all Israel and to give them positions as heads over the people, as chiefs of thousands, chiefs of hundreds, chiefs of fifties and chiefs of tens. (**Exodus 18:25**)**
- **And they judged the people on every proper occasion. A hard case they would bring to **Moses**, but every small case they themselves would handle as judges. (**Exodus 18:26**)**
- **After that **Moses** saw his father-in-law off, and he went his way to his land. (**Exodus 18:27**)**
- ****Moses** repeatedly pointed to Yehowah, and not himself, as the real Leader. When the people began to complain about food, Moses told them:**
- **And the sons of Israel kept saying to them; If only we had died by Yehowah's hand in the land of Egypt while we were sitting by the pots of meat, while we were eating bread to satisfaction, because you have brought us out into this wilderness to put this whole congregation to death by famine. (**Exodus 16:3**)**
- **So Moses and Aaron said to all the sons of Israel; At evening you will certainly know that it is Yehowah who has brought you out from the land of Egypt. (**Exodus 16:6**)**
- **And in the morning you will indeed see Yehowah's glory, because he has heard your murmurings against Yehowah. And what are**

- we that you should murmur against us? (**Exodus 16:7**)
- **And Moses continued; It will be when Yehowah gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to satisfaction, because Yehowah has heard your murmurings that you are murmuring against him. And what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against Yehowah. (Exodus 16:8)**
 - **Possibly because Miriam felt her prominence might be eclipsed by the presence of **Moses** wife, she and Aaron jealously and disrespectfully began to speak against **Moses** and his authority.**
 - **The record shows that their speech was all the more contemptible because it is at this point that it says; The man Moses was by far the meekest of all the men who were upon the surface of the ground.**
 - ****Moses** apparently was hesitant to assert himself, meekly enduring the abuse. But Yehowah was incensed at this challenge, which was actually an affront to Yehowah himself.**
 - **He took up the issue and severely chastised Miriam. **Moses** love for his sister moved him to intercede for her, crying out; O God, please! Heal her, please!**
 - **Now Miriam and Aaron began to speak against **Moses** on account of the Cushite wife whom he had taken, because it was a Cushite wife he had taken. (**Numbers 12:1**)**
 - **And they kept saying; Is it just by **Moses** alone that Yehowah has spoken? Is it not by us also that he has spoken? And Yehowah was listening. (**Numbers 12:2**)**
 - **And the man **Moses** was by far the meekest of all the men who were upon the surface of the ground. (**Numbers 12:3**)**
 - **Then Yehowah suddenly said to **Moses** and Aaron and Miriam; Go out, the three of you, to the tent of meeting. So the three of them went out. (**Numbers 12:4**)**
 - **After that Yehowah came down in the pillar of cloud and stood at the entrance of the tent and called Aaron and Miriam. At this both of them went out. (**Numbers 12:5**)**

- And he went on to say; Hear my words, please. If there came to be a prophet of yours for Yehowah, it would be in a vision I would make myself known to him. In a dream I would speak to him. (**Numbers 12:6**)
- Not so my servant **Moses**! He is being entrusted with all my house. (**Numbers 12:7**)
- Mouth to mouth I speak to him, thus showing him, and not by riddles, and the appearance of Yehowah is what he beholds. Why, then, did you not fear to speak against my servant, against **Moses**? (**Numbers 12:8**)
- And Yehowah's anger got to be hot against them, and he went his way. (**Numbers 12:9**)
- And the cloud turned away from over the tent, and, look! Miriam was struck with leprosy as white as snow. Then Aaron turned toward Miriam, and, look! She was struck with leprosy. (**Numbers 12:10**)
- Immediately Aaron said to **Moses**; Excuse me, my lord! Do not, please, attribute to us the sin in which we have acted foolishly and which we have committed! (**Numbers 12:11**)
- Please, do not let her continue like someone dead, whose flesh at the time of his coming out of his mother's womb is half eaten off! (**Numbers 12:12**)
- And **Moses** began to cry out to Yehowah, saying; O God, please! Heal her, please! (**Numbers 12:13**)
- Then Yehowah said to **Moses**; Were her father to spit directly in her face, would she not be humiliated seven days? Let her be quarantined seven days outside the camp, and afterward let her be received in. (**Numbers 12:14**)
- Accordingly Miriam was quarantined outside the camp seven days, and the people did not pull away until Miriam was received in. (**Numbers 12:15**)

· **Obedience, Waiting Upon Yehowah**

- **Moses** waited upon Yehowah. Though he is called Israel's lawgiver, he recognized that the laws did not originate with him. He was not arbitrary, deciding matters on his own knowledge. In legal cases in which there was no precedent or where he could not discern exactly how to apply the Law, he presented the matter to Yehowah to establish a judicial decision.
- Now a son of an Israelite woman, who, however, was the son of an Egyptian man, went out into the midst of the sons of Israel, and the son of the Israelitess and an Israelite man began to struggle with each other in the camp. (**Leviticus 24:10**)
- And the son of the Israelite woman began to abuse the Name and to call down evil upon it. So they brought him to **Moses**. Incidentally, his mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri of the tribe of Dan. (**Leviticus 24:11**)
- Then they committed him into custody till there should be a distinct declaration to them according to the saying of Yehowah. (**Leviticus 24:12**)
- And Yehowah proceeded to speak to **Moses**, saying; (**Leviticus 24:13**)
- Bring forth the one who called down evil to the outside of the camp, and all those who heard him must lay their hands upon his head, and the entire assembly must pelt him with stones. (**Leviticus 24:14**)
- And you should speak to the sons of Israel, saying; In case any man calls down evil upon his God, he must then answer for his sin. (**Leviticus 24:15**)
- So the abuser of Yehowah's name should be put to death without fail. The entire assembly should without fail pelt him with stones. The alien resident the same as the native should be put to death for his abusing the Name. (**Leviticus 24:16**)
- After that **Moses** spoke to the sons of Israel, and they brought forth the one who had called down evil to the outside of the camp, and they pelted him with stones. Thus the sons of Israel did just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Leviticus 24:23**)
- While the sons of Israel were continuing in the wilderness, they

once found a man collecting pieces of wood on the Sabbath day. (Numbers 15:32)

- Then those who found him collecting pieces of wood brought him up to **Moses** and Aaron and the whole assembly. (Numbers 15:33)
- So they committed him into custody, because it had not been distinctly stated what should be done to him. (Numbers 15:34)
- In time Yehowah said to **Moses**; Without fail the man should be put to death, the whole assembly pelting him with stones outside the camp. (Numbers 15:35)
- Accordingly the whole assembly brought him forth outside the camp and pelted him with stones so that he died, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (Numbers 15:36)
- Then the daughters of Zelophehad the son of Hopher the son of Gilead the son of Machir the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph, came near. And these were the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah and Hoglah and Milcah and Tirzah. (Numbers 27:1)
- And they proceeded to stand before **Moses** and before Eleazar the priest and before the chieftains and all the assembly at the entrance of the tent of meeting, saying; (Numbers 27:2)
- Our father has died in the wilderness, and yet he did not prove to be in among the assembly, that is, those who ranged themselves against Yehowah in the assembly of Korah, but for his own sin he has died, and he did not get to have any sons. (Numbers 27:3)
- Why should the name of our father be taken away from the midst of his family because he had no son? O give us a possession in the midst of our father's brothers. (Numbers 27:4)
- At that **Moses** presented their case before Yehowah. (Numbers 27:5)
- Yehowah then said this to **Moses**. (Numbers 27:6)
- The daughters of Zelophehad are speaking right. By all means you should give them the possession of an inheritance in the

- midst of their father's brothers, and you must cause their fathers inheritance to pass to them. (**Numbers 27:7**)
- **And to the sons of Israel you should speak, saying; In case any man should die without his having a son, you must then cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter. (Numbers 27:8)**
 - **And if he has no daughter, you must then give his inheritance to his brothers. (Numbers 27:9)**
 - **And if he has no brothers, you must then give his inheritance to his father's brothers. (Numbers 27:10)**
 - **And if his father has no brothers, you must then give his inheritance to his blood relation who is closest to him of his family, and he must take possession of it. And it must serve as a statute by judicial decision for the sons of Israel, just as Yehowah has commanded Moses. (Numbers 27:11)**
 - **He was careful to carry out instructions. In the intricate work of constructing the tabernacle and making its utensils and the priests garments, Moses exercised close oversight. The record reads;**
 - **And Moses proceeded to do according to all that Yehowah had commanded him. He did just so. (Exodus 40:16)**
 - **At once Moses did just as Yehowah had commanded him. He did just so. (Numbers 17:11)**
 - **Repeatedly we find other statements that things were done just as Yehowah had commanded Moses.**
 - **And out of the blue thread and wool dyed reddish purple and coccus scarlet material they made garments of knitted work for ministering in the holy place. So they made the holy garments that were for Aaron, just as Yehowah had commanded Moses. (Exodus 39:1)**
 - **And the girdle, which was upon it for tying it close, was of the same material according to its workmanship, of gold, blue thread, and wool dyed reddish purple and coccus scarlet material and fine twisted linen, just as Yehowah had commanded Moses. (Exodus 39:5)**

- Finally they bound the breastpiece by its rings to the rings of the ephod with a blue string, that it might continue above the girdle of the ephod and the breastpiece might not get displaced from on top the ephod, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 39:21**)
- And the sash of fine twisted linen and blue thread and wool dyed reddish purple and coccus scarlet material, the work of a weaver, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 39:29**)
- Then they put a string of blue thread to it in order to put it upon the turban up above, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 39:31**)
- According to all that Yehowah had commanded **Moses**, that was the way the sons of Israel did all the service. (**Exodus 39:42**)
- Then he spread out the tent over the tabernacle and placed the covering of the tent above upon it, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:19**)
- Then he brought the Ark into the tabernacle and put the curtain of the screen in place and shut off approach to the ark of the testimony, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:21**)
- And he arranged the row of bread upon it before Yehowah, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:23**)
- He then lit up the lamps before Yehowah, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:25**)
- That he might make perfumed incense smoke upon it, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:27**)
- And he placed the altar of burnt offering at the entrance of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, that he might offer up the burnt offering and the grain offering upon it, just as Yehowah had commanded **Moses**. (**Exodus 40:29**)
- It is good for Christians that he did so, for the apostle Paul points out that these things constituted a shadow and an illustration of heavenly things.

- But which men are rendering sacred service in a typical representation and a shadow of the heavenly things, just as **Moses**, when about to make the tent in completion, was given the divine command. For says he; See that you make all things after their pattern that was shown to you in the mountain. (**Hebrews 8:5**)

·· **Moses Stumbles**

- It was while Israel was encamped at Kadesh, probably in the 40th year of their wanderings, that **Moses** made a serious mistake.
- A consideration of the incident magnifies in our eyes the fact that **Moses** not only was in a highly privileged position but also was under very heavy responsibility to Yehowah as leader and mediator for the nation. Because of a water shortage the people began to quarrel bitterly with **Moses**, putting the blame on him for leading them up out of Egypt into the barren wilderness.
- **Moses** had endured much, putting up with the perverseness and insubordination of the Israelites, sharing their hardships, and interceding for them when they sinned, but here he momentarily lost his meekness and mildness of temper.
- Exasperated and embittered in spirit, **Moses** and Aaron stood before the people as Yehowah commanded. But instead of calling attention to Yehowah as the Provider, they spoke harshly to the people and directed attention to themselves, **Moses** saying; Hear, now, you rebels! Is it from this crag that we shall bring out water for you?
- With that, **Moses** struck the rock and Yehowah caused water to flow forth, sufficient for the multitude and their flocks. But God was displeased with the conduct of **Moses** and Aaron. They had failed of their primary responsibility, namely, to magnify Yehowah's name.
- They acted undutifully toward Yehowah, and Moses had spoken rashly with his lips. Later Yehowah decreed; Because you did not show faith in me to sanctify me before the eyes of the sons of Israel, therefore you will not bring this congregation into the land that I shall certainly give them.
- And the sons of Israel, the entire assembly, proceeded to come into the wilderness of Zin in the first month, and the people took up dwelling in Kadesh. It was there that Miriam died and there

- that she was buried. (**Numbers 20:1**)
- Now there proved to be no water for the assembly, and they began to congregate themselves against **Moses** and Aaron. (**Numbers 20:2**)
 - And the people went quarreling with **Moses** and saying; If only we had expired when our brothers expired before Yehowah! (**Numbers 20:3**)
 - And why have you men brought Yehowah's congregation into this wilderness for us and our beasts of burden to die there? (**Numbers 20:4**)
 - And why have you conducted us up out of Egypt to bring us into this evil place? It is no place of seed and figs and vines and pomegranates, and there is no water to drink. (**Numbers 20:5**)
 - Then **Moses** and Aaron came from before the congregation to the entrance of the tent of meeting and fell upon their faces, and Yehowah's glory began to appear to them. (**Numbers 20:6**)
 - Then Yehowah spoke to **Moses**, saying; (**Numbers 20:7**)
 - Take the rod and call the assembly together, you and Aaron your brother, and you must speak to the crag before their eyes that it may indeed give its water, and you must bring out water for them from the crag and give the assembly and their beasts of burden drink. (**Numbers 20:8**)
 - So **Moses** took the rod from before Yehowah, just as he had commanded him. (**Numbers 20:9**)
 - After that **Moses** and Aaron called the congregation together before the crag, and he proceeded to say to them; Hear, now, you rebels! Is it from this crag that we shall bring out water for you? (**Numbers 20:10**)
 - With that **Moses** lifted his hand up and struck the crag with his rod twice, and much water began to come out, and the assembly and their beasts of burden began to drink. (**Numbers 20:11**)
 - Later Yehowah said to **Moses** and Aaron; Because you did not show faith in me to sanctify me before the eyes of the sons of

Israel, therefore you will not bring this congregation into the land that I shall certainly give them. (**Numbers 20:12**)

- These are the waters of Meribah, because the sons of Israel quarreled with Yehowah, so that he was sanctified among them. (**Numbers 20:13**)
- Then die on the mountain into which you are going up, and be gathered to your people, just as Aaron your brother died on Mount Hor and got to be gathered to his people. (**Deuteronomy 32:50**)
- For the reason that you men acted undutifully toward me in the middle of the sons of Israel at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin, for the reason that you men did not sanctify me in the middle of the sons of Israel. (**Deuteronomy 32:51**)
- For from a distance you will see the land, but you will not go there into the land that I am giving to the sons of Israel. (**Deuteronomy 32:52**)
- Further, they caused provocation at the waters of Meribah, so that it went badly with **Moses** by reason of them. (**Psalms 106:32**)
- For they embittered his spirit and he began to speak rashly with his lips. (**Psalms 106:33**)

.. A Writer

▪ **Moses** was the writer of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible, namely, Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. His writership has been acknowledged by the Jews throughout their history, this section of the Bible being known by them as the Torah, or Law. Jesus and the Christian writers frequently speak of **Moses** as giving the Law. He is generally credited with writing the book of Job, also **Psalms 90** and, possibly, **91**.

- Then Jesus said to him; See that you tell no one, but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that **Moses** appointed, for the purpose of a witness to them. (**Matthew 8:4**)
- But Abraham said; They have **Moses** and the Prophets, let them

listen to these. (Luke 16:29)

- And commencing at **Moses** and all the Prophets he interpreted to them things pertaining to himself in all the Scriptures. (Luke 24:27)
- For **Moses** writes that the man that has done the righteousness of the Law will live by it. (Romans 10:5)
- For in the Law of Moses it is written: You must not muzzle a bull when it is threshing out the grain. Is it bulls God is caring for? (1 Corinthians 9:9)
- In fact, down till today whenever **Moses** is read, a veil lies upon their hearts. (2 Corinthians 3:15)
- Any man that has disregarded the Law of Moses dies without compassion, upon the testimony of two or three. (Hebrews 10:28)

•• His Death And Burial

- **Moses** brother Aaron died at the age of 123 years while Israel was encamped at Mount Hor, on the frontier of Edom, in the fifth month of the 40th year of their journey. Moses took Aaron into the mountain, stripped off Aaron's priestly garments, and clothed Aaron's oldest living son and successor, Eleazar, with them.
- And the sons of Israel, the entire assembly, proceeded to pull away from Kadesh and come to Mount Hor. (Numbers 20:22)
- Then Yehowah said this to **Moses** and Aaron in Mount Hor by the border of the land of Edom. (Numbers 20:23)
- Aaron will be gathered to his people, for he will not enter into the land that I shall certainly give to the sons of Israel, on the ground that you men rebelled against my order respecting the waters of Meribah. (Numbers 20:24)
- Take Aaron and Eleazar his son and bring them up into Mount Hor. (Numbers 20:25)
- And strip Aaron of his garments, and you must clothe with them Eleazar his son, and Aaron will be gathered and must die there.

(Numbers 20:26)

- So **Moses** did just as Yehowah had commanded, and before the eyes of all the assembly they went climbing Mount Hor. **(Numbers 20:27)**
- Then **Moses** stripped Aaron of his garments and clothed Eleazar his son with them, after which Aaron died there on the top of the mountain. And Moses and Eleazar came on down from the mountain. **(Numbers 20:28)**
- And all the assembly got to see that Aaron had expired, and all the house of Israel continued weeping for Aaron thirty days. **(Numbers 20:29)**
- Later they pulled away from Kadesh and went camping in Mount Hor, on the frontier of the land of Edom. **(Numbers 33:37)**
- And Aaron the priest proceeded to go up into Mount Hor at the order of Yehowah and to die there in the fortieth year of the going out of the sons of Israel from the land of Egypt, in the fifth month, on the first of the month. **(Numbers 33:38)**
- And Aaron was a hundred and twenty-three years old at his death on Mount Hor. **(Numbers 33:39)**
- About six months later, Israel arrived at the Plains of Moab. Here **Moses**, in a series of discourses, explained the Law to the assembled nation, enlarging upon it with adjustments that would be necessary when Israel changed from nomadic camp life to a settled one in their own land. In the 12th month of the 40th year, in the spring of **1473 B.C.E.**, he announced to the people that, according to Yehowah's appointment, Joshua would succeed him as leader. Joshua was then commissioned and exhorted to be courageous.
- Then **Moses** went and spoke these words to all Israel **(Deuteronomy 31:1)**
- And said to them; A hundred and twenty years old I am today. I shall no more be allowed to go out and come in, as Yehowah has said to me, You will not cross this Jordan. **(Deuteronomy 31:2)**
- Yehowah your God is the one crossing before you. He himself will annihilate these nations from before you, and you must drive

- them away. Joshua is the one crossing before you, just as Yehowah has spoken. (**Deuteronomy 31:3**)
- And he proceeded to commission Joshua the son of Nun and to say; Be courageous and strong, because you, you will bring the sons of Israel into the land about which I have sworn to them, and I myself shall continue with you. (**Deuteronomy 31:23**)
 - Finally, after reciting a song and blessing the people, **Moses** went up into Mount Nebo according to Yehowah's command, first to view the Promised Land from this mountain vantage point, then to die.
 - And Yehowah proceeded to speak to **Moses** on this same day, saying; (**Deuteronomy 32:48**)
 - Go up into this mountain of Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, which fronts toward Jericho, and see the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the sons of Israel as a possession. (**Deuteronomy 32:49**)
 - Then die on the mountain into which you are going up, and be gathered to your people, just as Aaron your brother died on Mount Hor and got to be gathered to his people. (**Deuteronomy 32:50**)
 - For the reason that you men acted undutifully toward me in the middle of the sons of Israel at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin, for the reason that you men did not sanctify me in the middle of the sons of Israel. (**Deuteronomy 32:51**)
 - Then **Moses** proceeded to go up from the desert plains of Moab into Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which fronts toward Jericho. And Yehowah went showing him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan. (**Deuteronomy 34:1**)
 - And all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh and all the land of Judah as far as the western sea. (**Deuteronomy 34:2**)
 - And the Negeb and the District, the valley plain of Jericho, the city of the palm trees, as far as Zoar. (**Deuteronomy 34:3**)
 - And Yehowah went on to say to him; This is the land about which I have sworn to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying; To

- your seed I shall give it. I have caused you to see it with your own eyes, as you will not cross over there. ([Deuteronomy 34:4](#))
- After that **Moses** the servant of Yehowah died there in the land of Moab at the order of Yehowah. ([Deuteronomy 34:5](#))
 - And he proceeded to bury him in the valley in the land of Moab in front of Beth-peor, and nobody has come to know his grave down to this day. ([Deuteronomy 34:6](#))
 - **Moses** was 120 years of age at the time of his death. Testifying to his natural strength, the Bible comments; His eye had not grown dim, and his vital strength had not fled. He was buried by Yehowah in a location never since discovered.
 - After that **Moses** the servant of Yehowah died there in the land of Moab at the order of Yehowah. ([Deuteronomy 34:5](#))
 - And he proceeded to bury him in the valley in the land of Moab in front of Beth-peor, and nobody has come to know his grave down to this day. ([Deuteronomy 34:6](#))
 - And **Moses** was a hundred and twenty years old at his death. His eye had not grown dim, and his vital strength had not fled. ([Deuteronomy 34:7](#))
 - Likely, this was to prevent the Israelites from being ensnared into false worship by making a shrine of his grave. Evidently the Devil desired to use **Moses** body for some such purpose, for Jude, the Christian disciple and half brother of Jesus Christ, writes;
 - But when Michael the archangel had a difference with the Devil and was disputing about **Moses** body, he did not dare to bring a judgment against him in abusive terms, but said, May Yehowah rebuke you. ([Jude 1:9](#))
 - Before crossing over into Canaan under the leadership of Joshua, Israel observed a 30-day mourning period for **Moses**.
 - And the sons of Israel proceeded to weep for **Moses** on the desert plains of Moab thirty days. At length the days of weeping of the mourning period for Moses were completed. ([Deuteronomy 34:8](#))
- **A Prophet Yehowah Knew, Face To Face**

- **When Miriam and Aaron challenged **Moses** authority, Yehowah told them;**
- **And he went on to say; Hear my words, please. If there came to be a prophet of yours for Yehowah, it would be in a vision I would make myself known to him. In a dream I would speak to him. (**Numbers 12:6**)**
- **Not so my servant **Moses**! He is being entrusted with all my house. (**Numbers 12:7**)**
- **Mouth to mouth I speak to him, thus showing him, and not by riddles, and the appearance of Yehowah is what he beholds. Why, then, did you not fear to speak against my servant, against **Moses**? (**Numbers 12:8**)**
- **The conclusion of the book of Deuteronomy describes **Moses** privileged standing with Yehowah;**
- **But there has never yet risen up a prophet in Israel like **Moses**, whom Yehowah knew face to face. (**Deuteronomy 34:10**)**
- **As respects all the signs and the miracles that Yehowah sent him to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh and all his servants and all his land. (**Deuteronomy 34:11**)**
- **And as regards all the strong hand and all the great awesomeness that **Moses** exercised before the eyes of all Israel. (**Deuteronomy 34:12**)**
- **According to Yehowah's words, **Moses**, though he never literally saw the very person of Yehowah, as mentioned in the foregoing, had a more direct, constant, intimate relationship with Yehowah than did any prophet prior to Jesus Christ. Yehowah's statement;**
- **See to it that you men do not despise one of these little ones, for I tell you that their angels in heaven always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. (**Matthew 18:10**)**
- **Mouth to mouth I speak to him, thus showing him, and not by riddles, and the appearance of Yehowah is what he beholds. Why, then, did you not fear to speak against my servant, against **Moses**? (**Numbers 12:8**)**

- As Israel's mediator, he enjoyed a virtually continuous two-way conversational communication arrangement. He was able at any time to present problems of national importance and to receive God's answer. Yehowah entrusted **Moses** with all His house, using **Moses** as his intimate representative in organizing the nation.
- Not so my servant **Moses**! He is being entrusted with all my house. (**Numbers 12:7**)
- He was faithful to the One that made him such, as **Moses** was also in all the house of that One. (**Hebrews 3:2**)
- And **Moses** as an attendant was faithful in all the house of that One as a testimony of the things that were to be spoken afterwards. (**Hebrews 3:5**)
- The later prophets simply continued to build on the foundation that had been laid through **Moses**.
- The manner in which Yehowah dealt with **Moses** was so impressive that it was as if **Moses** actually had beheld God with his own eyes, instead of merely having a mental vision or a dream in which he heard God speak, which was the usual way in which God communicated with his prophets. Yehowah's dealings with **Moses** were so real that **Moses** reacted as if he had seen the One who is invisible.
- By faith he left Egypt, but not fearing the anger of the king, for he continued steadfast as seeing the One who is invisible. (**Hebrews 11:27**)
- Evidently the impression made on **Moses** was similar to the effect of the transfiguration vision on Peter centuries later. The vision was so real to Peter that he began to participate in it, speaking but not realizing what he was saying.
- In actual fact, about eight days after these words, he took Peter and John and James along and climbed up into the mountain to pray. (**Luke 9:28**)
- And as he was praying the appearance of his face became different and his apparel became glitteringly white. (**Luke 9:29**)

- **Also, look! Two men were conversing with him, who were **Moses** and **Elijah**. (Luke 9:30)**
- **These appeared with glory and began talking about his departure that he was destined to fulfill at Jerusalem. (Luke 9:31)**
- **Now Peter and those with him were weighed down with sleep, but when they got fully awake they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. (Luke 9:32)**
- **And as these were being separated from him, Peter said to Jesus; Instructor, it is fine for us to be here, so let us erect three tents, one for you and one for **Moses** and one for **Elijah**, he not realizing what he was saying; (Luke 9:33)**
- **But as he was saying these things a cloud formed and began to overshadow them. As they entered into the cloud, they became fearful. (Luke 9:34)**
- **And a voice came out of the cloud, saying; This is my Son, the one that has been chosen. Listen to him. (Luke 9:35)**
- **And as the voice occurred Jesus was found alone. But they kept quiet and did not report to anyone in those days any of the things they saw. (Luke 9:36)**
- **And the apostle Paul likewise experienced a vision that was so real that he later said of himself;**
- **I have to boast. It is not beneficial, but I shall pass on to supernatural visions and revelations of the Lord. (2 Corinthians 12:1)**
- **I know a man in union with Christ who, fourteen years ago, whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows, was caught away as such to the third heaven. (2 Corinthians 12:2)**
- **Yes, I know such a man, whether in the body or apart from the body, I do not know, God knows. (2 Corinthians 12:3)**
- **That he was caught away into paradise and heard unutterable words which it is not lawful for a man to speak. (2 Corinthians 12:4)**

- No doubt Joshua's extraordinary success in establishing Israel in the Promised Land came, to an extent, by reason of the fine qualities inculcated in him by **Moses** training and example. Joshua was **Moses** minister from his young manhood on.
- Then Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of **Moses** from his young manhood on, responded and said; My lord Moses, restrain them! (**Numbers 11:28**)
- Evidently he was army commander under **Moses**
- At this **Moses** said to Joshua; Choose men for us and go out, fight against the Amalekites. Tomorrow I am stationing myself upon the top of the hill, with the rod of the true God in my hand. (**Exodus 17:9**)
- Then Joshua did just as **Moses** had said to him, in order to fight against the Amalekites, and **Moses**, Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. (**Exodus 17:10**)
- And was close to **Moses** as his attendant in many experiences.
- So **Moses** and Joshua his minister got up and Moses went up into the mountain of the true God. (**Exodus 24:13**)
- And Yehowah spoke to **Moses** face to face, just as a man would speak to his fellow. When he returned to the camp, his minister Joshua, the son of Nun, as attendant, would not withdraw from the midst of the tent. (**Exodus 33:11**)
- And I commanded Joshua at that particular time, saying; Your eyes are seeing all that Yehowah your God has done to these two kings. The same way Yehowah will do to all the kingdoms to which you are passing over there. (**Deuteronomy 3:21**)

· Prefigured Jesus Christ

- Jesus Christ made clear that **Moses** had written about him, for on one occasion he told his opponents;
- In fact, if you believed **Moses** you would believe me, for that one wrote about me. (**John 5:46**)

- Commencing at **Moses** and all the Prophets, when in the company of his disciples, Jesus interpreted to them things pertaining to himself in all the Scriptures.
- And commencing at **Moses** and all the Prophets he interpreted to them things pertaining to himself in all the Scriptures. (**Luke 24:27**)
- He now said to them; These are my words which I spoke to you while I was yet with you, that all the things written in the Law of Moses and in the Prophets and Psalms about me must be fulfilled. (**Luke 24:44**)
- Philip found Nathanael and said to him; We have found the one of whom **Moses**, in the Law, and the Prophets wrote, Jesus, the son of Joseph, from Nazareth. (**John 1:45**)
- Among the things **Moses** wrote concerning Christ Jesus are Yehowah's words;
 - A prophet I shall raise up for them from the midst of their brothers, like you, and I shall indeed put my words in his mouth, and he will certainly speak to them all that I shall command him. (**Deuteronomy 18:18**)
 - And it must occur that the man who will not listen to my words that he will speak in my name, I shall myself require an account from him. (**Deuteronomy 18:19**)
- The apostle Peter in quoting this prophecy left no doubt that it referred to Jesus Christ.
- Repent, therefore, and turn around so as to get your sins blotted out, that seasons of refreshing may come from the person of Yehowah. (**Acts of Apostles 3:19**)
- And that he may send forth the Christ appointed for you, Jesus. (**Acts of Apostles 3:20**)
- Whom heaven, indeed, must hold within itself until the times of restoration of all things of which God spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets of old time. (**Acts of Apostles 3:21**)
- In fact, **Moses** said; Yehowah God will raise up for you from

- among your brothers a prophet like me. You must listen to him according to all the things he speaks to you. (**Acts of Apostles 3:22**)
- Indeed, any soul that does not listen to that Prophet will be completely destroyed from among the people. (**Acts of Apostles 3:23**)
 - In the transfiguration scene that Peter, James, and John were permitted to view, **Moses** and Elijah were seen talking with Jesus. In **Moses**, the three apostles would see represented the Law covenant, the theocratic arrangement of the congregation, the deliverance of the nation, and its being safely transferred to the Promised Land.
 - Thus the vision indicated that Jesus Christ would do a work like **Moses** did, but greater, also the visionary appearance of Elijah showed that he would do a work like that of Elijah, but in a larger way. It was there plainly manifested that the Son of God was indeed the prophet greater than **Moses** and worthy of the title Messiah.
 - Six days later Jesus took Peter and James and John his brother along and brought them up into a lofty mountain by themselves. (**Matthew 17:1**)
 - And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone as the sun, and his outer garments became brilliant as the light. (**Matthew 17:2**)
 - And, look! There appeared to them **Moses** and Elijah, conversing with him. (**Matthew 17:3**)

See Also TRANSFIGURATION

- In many ways there was pictorial correspondency between these two great prophets, **Moses** and Jesus Christ. In infancy both escaped the wholesale slaughter ordered by the respective rulers of their time.
- Finally Pharaoh commanded all his people, saying; Every newborn son you are to throw into the river Nile, but every daughter you are to preserve alive. (**Exodus 1:22**)
- Meantime, a certain man of the house of Levi went ahead and took a daughter of Levi. (**Exodus 2:1**)

- **And the woman became pregnant and brought a son to birth. When she saw how good-looking he was, she kept him concealed for three lunar months. (Exodus 2:2)**
- **When she was no longer able to conceal him, she then took for him an ark of papyrus and coated it with bitumen and pitch and put the child in it and put it among the reeds by the bank of the river Nile. (Exodus 2:3)**
- **Further, his sister stationed herself at a distance to find out what would be done with him. (Exodus 2:4)**
- **After a while Pharaoh's daughter came down to bathe in the Nile River, and her female attendants were walking by the side of the Nile River. And she caught sight of the ark in the middle of the reeds. Immediately she sent her slave girl that she might get it. (Exodus 2:5)**
- **When she opened it she got to see the child, and here the boy was weeping. At that she felt compassion for him, although she said; This is one of the children of the Hebrews. (Exodus 2:6)**
- **Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter; Shall I go and specially call for you a nursing woman from the Hebrew women that she may nurse the child for you? (Exodus 2:7)**
- **So Pharaoh's daughter said to her; Go! At once the maiden went and called the child's mother. (Exodus 2:8)**
- **Pharaoh's daughter then said to her; Take this child with you and nurse him for me, and I myself shall give you your wages. Accordingly the woman took the child and nursed him. (Exodus 2:9)**
- **And the child grew up. Then she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, so that he became a son to her, and she proceeded to call his name **Moses** and to say; It is because I have drawn him out of the water. (Exodus 2:10)**
- **After they had withdrawn, look! Yehowah's angel appeared in a dream to Joseph, saying; Get up, take the young child and its mother and flee into Egypt, and stay there until I give you word, for Herod is about to search for the young child to destroy it. (Matthew 2:13)**

- So he got up and took along the young child and its mother by night and withdrew into Egypt. (**Matthew 2:14**)
- And he stayed there until the decease of Herod, for that to be fulfilled which was spoken by Yehowah through his prophet, saying; Out of Egypt I called my son. (**Matthew 2:15**)
- Then Herod, seeing he had been outwitted by the astrologers, fell into a great rage, and he sent out and had all the boys in Bethlehem and in all its districts done away with, from two years of age and under, according to the time that he had carefully ascertained from the astrologers. (**Matthew 2:16**)
- Then that was fulfilled which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying; (**Matthew 2:17**)
- A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and much wailing, it was Rachel weeping for her children, and she was unwilling to take comfort, because they are no more. (**Matthew 2:18**)
- **Moses** was called out of Egypt with Yehowah's firstborn, the nation of Israel, Moses being the nation's leader. Jesus was called out of Egypt as God's firstborn Son.
- And you must say to Pharaoh; This is what Yehowah has said; Israel is my son, my firstborn. (**Exodus 4:22**)
- And I say to you; Send my son away that he may serve me. But should you refuse to send him away, here I am killing your son, your firstborn. (**Exodus 4:23**)
- When Israel was a boy, then I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. (**Hosea 11:1**)
- and he stayed there until the decease of Herod, for that to be fulfilled which was spoken by Yehowah through his prophet, saying; Out of Egypt I called my son. (**Matthew 2:15**)
- When Herod had deceased, look! Yehowah's angel appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt. (**Matthew 2:19**)
- And said; Get up, take the young child and its mother and be on your way into the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the

- soul of the young child are dead. (**Matthew 2:20**)
- So he got up and took the young child and its mother and entered into the land of Israel. (**Matthew 2:21**)
 - **Both fasted for 40 days in wilderness places.**
 - And he continued there with Yehowah forty days and forty nights. He ate no bread and he drank no water. And he proceeded to write upon the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Words. (**Exodus 34:28**)
 - Then Jesus was led by the spirit up into the wilderness to be tempted by the Devil. (**Matthew 4:1**)
 - After he had fasted forty days and forty nights, then he felt hungry. (**Matthew 4:2**)
 - **Both came in the name of Yehowah, Jesus name itself meaning Yehowah Is Salvation.**
 - Nevertheless, **Moses** said to the true God; Suppose I am now come to the sons of Israel and I do say to them, The God of your forefathers has sent me to you, and they do say to me, What is his name? What shall I say to them? (**Exodus 3:13**)
 - At this God said to **Moses**; I **SHALL PROVE TO BE WHAT I SHALL PROVE TO BE**. And he added; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, I **SHALL PROVE TO BE** has sent me to you. (**Exodus 3:14**)
 - Then God said once more to **Moses**; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, Yehowah the God of your forefathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name to time indefinite, and this is the memorial of me to generation after generation. (**Exodus 3:15**)
 - You go, and you must gather the older men of Israel, and you must say to them, Yehowah the God of your forefathers has appeared to me, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying; I will without fail to you and to what is being done to you in Egypt. (**Exodus 3:16**)
 - She will give birth to a son, and you must call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. (**Matthew 1:21**)

- **I have come in the name of my Father, but you do not receive me, if someone else arrived in his own name, you would receive that one. (John 5:43)**
- **Jesus, like Moses, declared the name of Yehowah.**
- **For I shall declare the name of Yehowah. Do you attribute greatness to our God! (Deuteronomy 32:3)**
- **I have made your name manifest to the men you gave me out of the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have observed your word. (John 17:6)**
- **And I have made your name known to them and will make it known, in order, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in union with them. (John 17:26)**
- **Both were exceptional in meekness and humility.**
- **And the man Moses was by far the meekest of all the men who were upon the surface of the ground. (Numbers 12:3)**
- **Come to me, all you who are toiling and loaded down, and I will refresh you. (Matthew 11:28)**
- **Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am mild-tempered and lowly in heart, and you will find refreshment for your souls. (Matthew 11:29)**
- **For my yoke is kindly and my load is light. (Matthew 11:30)**
- **Both had the most convincing credentials to show that they were sent by God astounding miracles of many sorts, Jesus Christ going farther than Moses by raising dead persons to life.**
- **Moses now stretched his hand out over the sea, and Yehowah began making the sea go back by a strong east wind all night long and converting the sea basin into dry ground, and the waters were being split apart. (Exodus 14:21)**
- **At length the sons of Israel went through the midst of the sea on dry land, while the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. (Exodus 14:22)**

- **And the Egyptians took up the pursuit, and all the horses of Pharaoh, his war chariots and his cavalymen began going in after them, into the midst of the sea. (Exodus 14:23)**
- **And it came about during the morning watch that Yehowah began to look out upon the camp of the Egyptians from within the pillar of fire and cloud, and he went throwing the camp of the Egyptians into confusion. (Exodus 14:24)**
- **And he kept taking wheels off their chariots so that they were driving them with difficulty, and the Egyptians began to say; Let us flee from any contact with Israel, because Yehowah certainly fights for them against the Egyptians. (Exodus 14:25)**
- **Finally Yehowah said to Moses; Stretch your hand out over the sea, that the waters may come back over the Egyptians, their war chariots and their cavalymen. (Exodus 14:26)**
- **Moses at once stretched his hand out over the sea, and the sea began to come back to its normal condition at the approaching of morning. All the while the Egyptians were fleeing from encountering it, but Yehowah shook the Egyptians off into the midst of the sea. (Exodus 14:27)**
- **And the waters kept coming back. Finally they covered the war chariots and the cavalymen belonging to all of Pharaoh's military forces and who had gone into the sea after them. Not so much as one among them was let remain. (Exodus 14:28)**
- **As for the sons of Israel, they walked on dry land in the midst of the seabed, and the waters were for them a wall on their right hand and on their left. (Exodus 14:29)**
- **Thus on that day Yehowah saved Israel from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel got to see the Egyptians dead on the seashore. (Exodus 14:30)**
- **Israel also got to see the great hand that Yehowah put in action against the Egyptians, and the people began to fear Yehowah and to put faith in Yehowah and in Moses his servant. (Exodus 14:31)**
- **In front of their forefathers he had done marvelously in the land**

of Egypt, the field of Zoan. (**Psalms 78:12**)

- He split the sea, that he might let them pass over, and he caused the waters to stand like a dam. (**Psalms 78:13**)
- And he continued to lead them with a cloud by day and the whole night with a light of fire. (**Psalms 78:14**)
- He proceeded to split rocks in the wilderness, that he might cause them to drink an abundance just like watery deeps. (**Psalms 78:15**)
- And he went bringing forth streams out of a crag and causing waters to descend just like rivers. (**Psalms 78:16**)
- And they kept sinning still more against him by rebelling against the Most High in the waterless region. (**Psalms 78:17**)
- And they proceeded to test God in their heart by asking for something to eat for their soul. (**Psalms 78:18**)
- So they began to speak against God. They said; Is God able to arrange a table in the wilderness? (**Psalms 78:19**)
- Look! He struck a rock that waters might flow and torrents themselves might flood forth. Is he able also to give bread itself, or can he prepare sustenance for his people? (**Psalms 78:20**)
- That was why Yehowah heard and began to be furious, and fire itself was kindled against Jacob, and anger also ascended against Israel. (**Psalms 78:21**)
- For they did not put faith in God, and they did not trust in salvation by him. (**Psalms 78:22**)
- And he proceeded to command the cloudy skies above, and he opened the very doors of heaven. (**Psalms 78:23**)
- And he kept raining upon them manna to eat, and the grain of heaven he gave to them. (**Psalms 78:24**)
- Men ate the very bread of powerful ones, provisions he sent them to satisfaction. (**Psalms 78:25**)

- He began making an east wind burst forth in the heavens and making a south wind blow by his own strength. (**Psalms 78:26**)
- And he proceeded to make sustenance rain upon them just like dust, even winged flying creatures just like the sand grains of the seas. (**Psalms 78:27**)
- And he kept making them fall in the middle of his camp, all around his tabernacles. (**Psalms 78:28**)
- And they went eating and satisfying themselves very much, and what they desired he proceeded to bring to them. (**Psalms 78:29**)
- They had not turned aside from their desire, while their food was yet in their mouth. (**Psalms 78:30**)
- When God's wrath itself ascended against them. And he went killing among their stout ones, and the young men of Israel he made collapse. (**Psalms 78:31**)
- Despite all this they sinned some more and did not put faith in his wonderful works. (**Psalms 78:32**)
- So he brought their days to an end as if a mere exhalation, and their years by the disturbance. (**Psalms 78:33**)
- As often as he killed them, they also inquired for him, and they returned and looked for God. (**Psalms 78:34**)
- And they began to remember that God was their Rock, and that God the Most High was their Avenger. (**Psalms 78:35**)
- And they tried to fool him with their mouth, and with their tongue they tried to lie to him. (**Psalms 78:36**)
- And their heart was not steadfast with him, and they did not prove faithful in his covenant. (**Psalms 78:37**)
- But he was merciful, he would cover the error and not bring ruin. And many times he made his anger turn back, and he would not rouse up all his rage. (**Psalms 78:38**)
- And he kept remembering that they were flesh, that the spirit is going forth and does not come back. (**Psalms 78:39**)

- **How often they would rebel against him in the wilderness, they would make him feel hurt in the desert! (Psalms 78:40)**
- **And again and again they would put God to the test, and they pained even the Holy One of Israel. (Psalms 78:41)**
- **They did not remember his hand, the day that he redeemed them from the adversary. (Psalms 78:42)**
- **How he put his signs in Egypt itself and his miracles in the field of Zoan. (Psalms 78:43)**
- **And how he began changing to blood their Nile canals, so that they could not drink from their own streams. (Psalms 78:44)**
- **He proceeded to send upon them gadflies, that these might eat them up, and frogs, that these might bring them to ruin. (Psalms 78:45)**
- **And he began to give to the cockroaches their yield, and their toil to the locusts. (Psalms 78:46)**
- **He went killing their vine even by the hail and their sycamore trees by hailstones. (Psalms 78:47)**
- **And he proceeded to hand over their beasts of burden even to the hail and their livestock to the flaming fever. (Psalms 78:48)**
- **He went sending upon them his burning anger, fury and denunciation and distress, deputations of angels bringing calamity. (Psalms 78:49)**
- **He proceeded to prepare a pathway for his anger. He did not hold back their soul from death itself, and their life he handed over even to the pestilence. (Psalms 78:50)**
- **Finally he struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, the beginning of their generative power in the tents of Ham. (Psalms 78:51)**
- **Afterward he caused his people to depart just like a flock, and conducted them like a drove in the wilderness. (Psalms 78:52)**
- **And he kept leading them in security, and they felt no dread, and**

- the sea covered their enemies themselves. (**Psalms 78:53**)
- **And he proceeded to bring them to his holy territory, this mountainous region that his right hand acquired. (**Psalms 78:54**)**
 - **The blind are seeing again, and the lame are walking about, the lepers are being cleansed and the deaf are hearing, and the dead are being raised up, and the poor are having the Good News declared to them. (**Matthew 11:5**)**
 - **So they came to the house of the presiding officer of the synagogue, and he beheld the noisy confusion and those weeping and letting out many wails. (**Mark 5:38**)**
 - **And, after stepping in, he said to them; Why are you causing noisy confusion and weeping? The young child has not died, but is sleeping. (**Mark 5:39**)**
 - **At this they began to laugh scornfully at him. But, having put them all out, he took along the young child's father and mother and those with him, and he went in where the young child was. (**Mark 5:40**)**
 - **And, taking the hand of the young child, he said to her; Talitha cumi, which, translated, means, Maiden, I say to you, Get up! (**Mark 5:41**)**
 - **And immediately the maiden rose and began walking, for she was twelve years old. And at once they were beside themselves with great ecstasy. (**Mark 5:42**)**
 - **But he ordered them again and again to let no one learn of this, and he said that something should be given her to eat. (**Mark 5:43**)**
 - **Closely following this he traveled to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd were traveling with him. (**Luke 7:11**)**
 - **As he got near the gate of the city, why, look! There was a dead man being carried out, the only-begotten son of his mother. Besides, she was a widow. A considerable crowd from the city was also with her. (**Luke 7:12**)**
 - **And when the Lord caught sight of her, he was moved with pity**

- for her, and he said to her; Stop weeping. (Luke 7:13)
- With that he approached and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still, and he said; Young man, I say to you, Get up! (Luke 7:14)
 - And the dead man sat up and started to speak, and he gave him to his mother. (Luke 7:15)
 - Now John's disciples reported to him about all these things. (Luke 7:18)
 - So John summoned a certain two of his disciples and sent them to the Lord to say; Are you the Coming One, or are we to expect a different one? (Luke 7:19)
 - When they came up to him the men said; John the Baptist dispatched us to you to say; Are you the Coming One or are we to expect another? (Luke 7:20)
 - In that hour he cured many of sicknesses and grievous diseases and wicked spirits, and granted many blind persons the favor of seeing. (Luke 7:21)
 - Hence in answer he said to the two; Go your way, report to John what you saw and heard. The blind are receiving sight, the lame are walking, the lepers are being cleansed and the deaf are hearing, the dead are being raised up, the poor are being told the Good News. (Luke 7:22)
 - And happy is he who has not stumbled over me. (Luke 7:23)
 - **Moses** was mediator of the Law covenant between God and the nation of Israel. Jesus was Mediator of the New Covenant between God and the holy nation, the spiritual Israel of God.
 - But you are, a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for special possession, that you should declare abroad the excellencies, of the one that called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Peter 2:9)
 - And all those who will walk orderly by this rule of conduct, upon them be peace and mercy, even upon the Israel of God. (Galatians 6:16)

- And **Moses** went up to the true God, and Yehowah began to call to him out of the mountain, saying; This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the sons of Israel. (**Exodus 19:3**)
- You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, that I might carry you on wings of eagles and bring you to myself. (**Exodus 19:4**)
- And now if you will strictly obey my voice and will indeed keep my covenant, then you will certainly become my special property out of all other peoples, because the whole earth belongs to me. (**Exodus 19:5**)
- And you yourselves will become to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you are to say to the sons of Israel. (**Exodus 19:6**)
- So **Moses** came and called the older men of the people and set before them all these words that Yehowah had commanded him. (**Exodus 19:7**)
- After that all the people answered unanimously and said; All that Yehowah has spoken we are willing to do. Immediately **Moses** took back the words of the people to Yehowah. (**Exodus 19:8**)
- At this Yehowah said to **Moses**; Look! I am coming to you in a dark cloud, in order, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and that in you also they may put faith to time indefinite. Then Moses reported the words of the people to Yehowah. (**Exodus 19:9**)
- Also, the cup in the same way after they had the evening meal, he saying; This cup means the New Covenant by virtue of my blood, which is to be poured out in your behalf. (**Luke 22:20**)
- But now Jesus has obtained a more excellent public service, so that he is also the mediator of a correspondingly better covenant, which has been legally established upon better promises. (**Hebrews 8:6**)
- So that is why he is a mediator of a New Covenant, in order, that, because a death has occurred for their release by ransom from the transgressions under the former covenant, the ones who

- have been called might receive the promise of the everlasting inheritance. (**Hebrews 9:15**)
- **Both served as judges, lawgivers, and leaders.**
 - **And it came about on the next day that **Moses** sat down as usual to serve as judge for the people, and the people kept standing before Moses from the morning till the evening. (**Exodus 18:13**)**
 - **And now, come, lead the people to where I have spoken to you of. Look! My angel will go ahead of you, and on the day of my bringing punishment I shall certainly bring punishment upon them for their sin. (**Exodus 32:34**)**
 - **And you should know and have the insight that from the going forth of the word to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Leader, there will be seven weeks, also sixty-two weeks. She will return and be actually rebuilt, with a public square and moat, but in the straits of the times. (**Daniel 9:25**)**
 - **Remember, you people, the Law of Moses my servant with which I commanded him in Horeb concerning all Israel, even regulations and judicial decisions. (**Malachi 4:4**)**
 - **Neither be called, leaders, for your Leader is one, the Christ. (**Matthew 23:10**)**
 - **For the Father judges no one at all, but he has committed all the judging to the Son. (**John 5:22**)**
 - **In order, that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He that does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. (**John 5:23**)**
 - **I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you, that you also love one another. (**John 13:34**)**
 - **If you observe my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have observed the commandments of the Father and remain in his love. (**John 15:10**)**
 - ****Moses** was entrusted with and proved faithful to his stewardship in the house of God, that is, the nation, or congregation, of Israel.**

Jesus showed faithfulness over God's house that he as God's Son constructed, namely, the nation, or congregation, of Spiritual Israel.

- **Not so my servant **Moses**! He is being entrusted with all my house. (**Numbers 12:7**)**
- **He was faithful to the One that made him such, as **Moses** was also in all the house of that One. (**Hebrews 3:2**)**
- **For the latter is counted worthy of more glory than **Moses**, inasmuch as he who constructs it has more honor than the house. (**Hebrews 3:3**)**
- **Of course, every house is constructed by someone, but he that constructed all things is God. (**Hebrews 3:4**)**
- **And **Moses** as an attendant was faithful in all the house of that One as a testimony of the things that were to be spoken afterwards. (**Hebrews 3:5**)**
- **But Christ was faithful as a Son over the house of that One. We are the house of that One, if we make fast our hold on our freeness of speech and our boasting over the hope firm to the end. (**Hebrews 3:6**)**
- **And even in death there was a parallel, God disposed of the bodies of both **Moses** and Jesus.**
- **After that **Moses** the servant of Yehowah died there in the land of Moab at the order of Yehowah. (**Deuteronomy 34:5**)**
- **And he proceeded to bury him in the valley in the land of Moab in front of Beth-peor, and nobody has come to know his grave down to this day. (**Deuteronomy 34:6**)**
- **He saw beforehand and spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he forsaken in Hades nor did his flesh see corruption. (**Acts of Apostles 2:31**)**
- **But when Michael the archangel had a difference with the Devil and was disputing about **Moses** body, he did not dare to bring a judgment against him in abusive terms, but said; May Yehowah rebuke you. (**Jude 1:9**)**

- Toward the end of **Moses** 40-year sojourn in the wilderness, while he was shepherding his father-in-law's flock, God's angel made a miraculous manifestation to him in the flame of a thornbush at the foot of Mount Horeb. Yehowah there commissioned him to deliver His people from Egypt.
- And **Moses** became a shepherd of the flock of Jethro, the priest of Midian, whose son-in-law he was. While he was driving the flock to the west side of the wilderness, he came at length to the mountain of the true God, to Horeb. (**Exodus 3:1**)
- Then Yehowah's angel appeared to him in a flame of fire in the midst of a thorn bush. As he kept looking, why, here the thorn bush was burning with the fire and yet the thorn bush was not consumed. (**Exodus 3:2**)
- At this **Moses** said; Let me just turn aside that I may inspect this great phenomenon, as to why the thorn bush is not burnt up. (**Exodus 3:3**)
- When Yehowah saw that he turned aside to inspect, God at once called to him out of the midst of the thorn bush and said; **Moses!** Moses! To which he said; Here I am. (**Exodus 3:4**)
- Then he said; Do not come near here. Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place where you are standing is holy ground. (**Exodus 3:5**)
- And he went on to say; I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Then **Moses** concealed his face, because he was afraid to look at the true God. (**Exodus 3:6**)
- And Yehowah added; Unquestionably I have seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and I have heard their outcry as a result of those who drive them to work, because I well know the pains they suffer. (**Exodus 3:7**)
- And I am proceeding to go down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a land good and spacious, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the locality of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. (**Exodus 3:8**)

- And now, look! The outcry of the sons of Israel has come to me, and I have seen also the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. (**Exodus 3:9**)
- And now come and let me send you to Pharaoh, and you bring my people the sons of Israel out of Egypt. (**Exodus 3:10**)
- However, **Moses** said to the true God; Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and that I have to bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt? (**Exodus 3:11**)
- To this he said; Because I shall prove to be with you, and this is the sign for you that it is I who have sent you. After you have brought the people out of Egypt, you people will serve the true God on this mountain. (**Exodus 3:12**)
- Nevertheless, **Moses** said to the true God; Suppose I am now come to the sons of Israel and I do say to them, The God of your forefathers has sent me to you, and they do say to me, What is his name? What shall I say to them? (**Exodus 3:13**)
- At this God said to **Moses**; I SHALL PROVE TO BE WHAT I SHALL PROVE TO BE. And he added; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, I SHALL PROVE TO BE has sent me to you. (**Exodus 3:14**)
- Then God said once more to **Moses**; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, Yehowah the God of your forefathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name to time indefinite, and this is the memorial of me to generation after generation. (**Exodus 3:15**)
- Thus God appointed **Moses** as His prophet and representative, and Moses could now correctly be called an anointed one, or Christ. In order to come into that privileged position, **Moses** had had to give up the treasures of Egypt and let himself be ill-treated with the people of God and thus suffer reproach.
- But to Moses such reproach of the Christ was riches greater than all of Egypt's wealth.
- By faith **Moses**, when grown up, refused to be called the son of the daughter of Pharaoh. (**Hebrews 11:24**)
- Choosing to be ill-treated with the people of God rather than to

have the temporary enjoyment of sin. (**Hebrews 11:25**)

- **Because he esteemed the reproach of the Christ as riches greater than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked intently toward the payment of the reward. (**Hebrews 11:26**)**
- **A parallel to this is found in Jesus Christ. According to the angels announcement at his birth in Bethlehem, he was to become a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. He became Christ, or Anointed One, after the prophet John baptized him in the Jordan River.**
- **But the angel said to them; Have no fear, for, look! I am declaring to you Good News of a great joy that all the people will have. (**Luke 2:10**)**
- **Because there was born to you today a Savior, who is Christ the Lord, in David's city. (**Luke 2:11**)**
- **Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized and, as he was praying, the heaven was opened up. (**Luke 3:21**)**
- **And the Holy Spirit in bodily shape like a dove came down upon him, and a voice came out of heaven; You are my Son, the beloved. I have approved you. (**Luke 3:22**)**
- **Furthermore, Jesus himself, when he commenced his work, was about thirty years old, being the son, as the opinion was, of Joseph, son of Heli. (**Luke 3:23**)**
- **And he came to Nazareth, where he had been reared, and, according to his custom on the Sabbath day, he entered into the synagogue, and he stood up to read. (**Luke 4:16**)**
- **So the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed him, and he opened the scroll and found the place where it was written. (**Luke 4:17**)**
- **Yehowah's spirit is upon me, because he anointed me to declare Good News to the poor, he sent me forth to preach a release to the captives and a recovery of sight to the blind, to send the crushed ones away with a release. (**Luke 4:18**)**
- **To preach Yehowah's acceptable year. (**Luke 4:19**)**

- **With that he rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue were intently fixed upon him. (Luke 4:20)**
- **Then he started to say to them; Today this scripture that you just heard is fulfilled. (Luke 4:21)**
- **Thereafter he acknowledged that he was the Christ, or Messiah.**
- **In answer Simon Peter said; You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. (Matthew 16:16)**
- **In response Jesus said to him; Happy you are, Simon son of Jonah, because flesh and blood did not reveal it to you, but my Father who is in the heavens did. (Matthew 16:17)**
- **But he kept silent and made no reply at all. Again the High Priest began to question him and said to him; Are you the Christ the Son of the Blessed One? (Mark 14:61)**
- **Then Jesus said; I am and you persons will see the Son of man sitting at the right hand of power and coming with the clouds of heaven. (Mark 14:62)**
- **The woman said to him; I know that Messiah is coming, who is called Christ. Whenever that one arrives, he will declare all things to us openly. (John 4:25)**
- **Jesus said to her; I who am speaking to you am he. (John 4:26)**
- **Jesus Christ also kept his eye on the prize and despised the shame that men heaped upon him, as Moses had done.**
- **More than that, when he found himself in fashion as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient as far as death, yes, death on a torture stake. (Philippians 2:8)**
- **For this very reason also God exalted him to a superior position and kindly gave him the name that is above every other name. (Philippians 2:9)**
- **As we look intently at the Chief Agent and Perfecter of our faith, Jesus. For the joy that was set before him he endured a torture stake, despising shame, and has sat down at the right hand of**

the throne of God. (**Hebrews 12:2**)

- **It is into this Greater **Moses** that the Christian congregation is baptized into Jesus Christ, the foretold Prophet, Liberator, and Leader.**
- **Now I do not want you to be ignorant, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea (**1 Corinthians 10:1**)**
- **And all got baptized into **Moses** by means of the cloud and of the sea. (**1 Corinthians 10:2**)**