

## BY FAITH MOSES...

*Hebrews 11:24-26*

## INTRODUCTION:

- A. We have studied the birth of Moses
  - 1) "...he...was hid three months of his parents"
  - 2) "...they were not afraid of the King's commandment"
  
- B. These decisions were made for Moses
  - 1) Such decisions are good and right but they are not our decisions until we make them.
  - 2) Moses made his choice at forty years of age
  
- I. By Faith Moses Refused vs 24
  - A. "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter."
    - 1) "refused" = αρνεομαι = "to deny", "renounce", "to reject", "to say no to"
    - 2) By faith Moses, when he was fully mature said no and rejected the title of Pharaoh's daughter's son.
  
  - B. "Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God,..." vs 25
    - 1) "choosing" = αιρεομαι = "to take for one's self", "to separate rather by the act of taking rather than by showing preference"
    - 2) "rather" = μαλλον = "very, very much", "exceedingly more", "more strongly"
    - 3) "suffer affliction" = συγκακουχεομαι = "to receive bad treatment with others"
    - 4) Moses did not struggle with himself!



## C. "...than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season"

- 1) "to enjoy" = εχω = "to have" απολαυσις = "enjoyment"  
(for the purpose of getting advantage and therefore enjoying the situation)
- 2) "sin" = αμαρτια = "failure from prescribed law"
- 3) "season" = προσκαιρος = "for a time, not necessarily a short time, but until and up to another point of time"
- 4) Moses knew who he was. He knew who his people were. He knew in his heart what he should do. He chose to be identified with the suffering slaves than to continue being considered a son of the high rank of those who were the inflictors of evil.

## II. The Basis Of His Refusal And Choice

## A. "Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt:..." vs 26

- 1) "esteeming" = ηγειμαι = "to lead", "to go before", here to be in the front of one's thinking or one's mind.
- 2) "reproach" = ονειδισμος = "defamation", "reviling"
- 3) "greater" = μειζων = (comp. μεγας )
- 4) "riches" = πλουτος = "wealth", "having or abounding"
- 5) "treasures" = θησαυρος = "anything laid up in store"  
(the store houses of Egypt)

## B. "...for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward"

- 1) "respect" = αποβλεπω = "to look towards anything", "to fix the eyes upon intently"
- 2) "recompense" = μισθαποδοσια = "full payment of wages"
- 3) "reward" = μισθος = "hire", "wages", "pay"
- 4) "For he looked steadily at the ultimate, not the immediate reward" PHI

III. The History Of Moses *Exodus 2:11-15*

A. When Moses was grown

- 1) He went out to his brethren
- 2) He looked on their burdens
- 3) He saw an Egyptian smite an Israeli
- 4) He slew the Egyptian

B. The second day

- 1) He saw two brethren struggling
- 2) He intervened
- 3) They chided him
- 4) He fled in fear

IV. Stephen's Interpretation *Acts 7:17-*

A. The time of his decision

- 1) *vs 23 - "full forty years old"*
- 2) *"it came to his heart"*
- 3) He killed the Egyptian *vs 24*
- 4) He thought they would recognize him as their deliverer  
*verse 25*
- 5) They rejected his leadership
- 6) He fled Egypt in fear

B. Moses knew the coming One

- 1) *vs 37*
- 2) He was willing to identify himself with the Lord's  
anointed.