

## JESUS AND MOSES

### Hebrews 3:1-6

#### INTRODUCTION:

- A. God has spoken to us in times past
  - 1) At different times
  - 2) At different places by many men
  
- B. God has spoken to we who live now
  - 1) We are people of the "last days"
  - 2) He has spoken by His Son
  
- C. Jesus was made:
  - 1) Lower than the angels
  - 2) Subject to death
  
- D. Jesus died
  - 1) To perfect Him as Captain of our salvation
  - 2) To deliver us from the bondage of death
  - 3) To experience being a human
  
- E. Now, to these Hebrews, he speaks of Moses
  - 1) Moses, the lawgiver-prophet
  - 2) Moses, the founder of Judaism
  
- I. Jesus And Moses, Faithful To God As Appointed
  - A. *"Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling..."*
    - 1) *"wherefore"* = *οθεν* = "from which", all the above
    - 2) *"holy brethren"* = "consecrated and set apart"
    - 3) *"partakers"* = *μετοχος* = "having an association with another", "a sharer with another". Much more than fellow Jew and believer in Jesus as Messiah.



- 4) "heavenly calling" = επουρανιος
- 5) "You who, all alike, have received the call from heaven"

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- 6) These people, as a church, have a call from heaven. It is to be all and do all that Jesus Christ built the church to do. We are all "partakers" in the call from God.

B. "consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;"

- 1) "consider" = κατανοω = "to put the mind down on a thing", "to perceive or discern distinctly or clearly; to understand"
- 2) "Apostle" = αποστολος = "one who is commissioned as an authoritative representative". Primarily and adjective, one sent, messenger. This is the only reference to Jesus as such. He was sent of God to the Jews and the world.
- 3) "High Priest" = αρχιερευς = The first in order priest. One who has the care of sacrifices.
- 4) "profession" = ομολογω = "to speak or say the same thing with another", "to agree with"

C. "who was faithful to him that appointed him," vs 2

- 1) "faithful" = πιστος = pass = "trustworthy", "worthy of confidence" Act. = "believing", "trusting"
- 2) "appointed" = ποιω = "to produce", "create"
- 3) "who faithfully did what God sent Him to do"

D. "as also Moses was faithful in all his house"

- 1) Numbers 12:7 - Moses endured much provocation from Israel!
- 2) "As Moses was over his appointment"

## II. Jesus And Moses And Glory And Honour

A. *"For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses"*

- 1) *"counted worthy"* = αξιω = "to regard as deserving", "to view as suitable"
- 2) *"For greater glory is due to him that unto Moses"*

B. *"...inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house."*

- 1) *"builded"* = κατασκευαζω = "to prepare", "to furnish", "to adorn fully", "to get ready"
- 2) *"Just as the builder of a house deserves more praise than the house"*

C. *"For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God."*

- 1) *"For every house is built and furnished by someone"*
- 2) *"And the founder, builder and the furnisher of all things is God"*
- 3) *Paul here attributes to Jesus the attributes of God*

## III. Jesus And Moses As Heads Of Their Houses verses 5 - 6

A. *"And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant,"*

- 1) *θεραπων* = "attendant, "server", "a personal service freely given", "an honourable office", "to cherish", "therapeutic"
- 2) *"While the faithful service of Moses in the whole House of God was that of a servant." TENT*

B. *"for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;"*

- 1) *"testimony"* = μαρτυριον = "the declaration which confirms or makes known anything"
- 2) *"To bear witness to the words that God would speak" NEB*

- 3) *"to be spoken after"* = ἀληθευόμενων = The position of Moses was one which pointed beyond itself to a future and higher revelation.

C. *"But Christ as a son over his own house;"*

- 1) "But Christ as a son set over the house of God was faithful."
- 2) The son is superior to a servant

D. *"whose house we are"*

- 1) "And we are His house"
- 2) The church is God's house. The place of His habitation. We, each member, are a living stone in this house of God.

E. *"if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end."*

- 1) κατεχω = "to have and hold down", "hold firmly"
- 2) παρρησια = "boldness", "speaking all one thinks"
- 3) καυχημα = "the theme for glorying"
- 4) "hope" = ελπις = "expecting something good"
- 5) "firm" = βεβαιος = "steadfast", "sure"
- 6) "If only we retain our trust and joyful hope steadfast to the very end"

