

Fort Payne church of Christ



The Weekly Moment

A Weekly Motivational Message

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My Name Is Moses

I've lived on this earth almost 80 years. I grew up as the son of Pharaoh's daughter and had all of the privileges and benefits that one could ask for. I learned early on that my real mother had "saved" me by giving me away. And then she ended up raising me which was a true blessing.

My mother taught me about who I really was – a Hebrew boy; part of the chosen nation of Israel. She taught me about God and that he would take care of His people. She taught me about Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph. She gave me strength – strength that I felt I would one day have to use – just didn't know how.

I left Egypt 40 years ago when I tried to defend a "brother". I ended up killing an Egyptian soldier and felt it best to leave. It was hard leaving my mother, but knew it was best. I traveled to Midian where I met my wife and lived helping my father-in-law take care of his heard.

One day, I came across the strangest sight I had ever seen – a burning bush that did not burn up. The God of my people had visited me and it changed my life forever. God convinced me that I could lead His people out of Egypt to the Promised Land. With the help of my brother, Aaron, I confronted the Pharaoh with the power of God and he was forced to "let my people go!"

One of the most awesome experiences I had was after Pharaoh let the Israelites go. We had traveled to the Red Sea with Pharaoh's army behind us (Oh, Pharaoh had changed his mind) and no where to go. The people were complaining and scared. That was when the power of God caused the Red Sea to part and we were able to walk across on dry land. Awesome!

At Mount Sinai, God delivered to me His Law on tablets of stone. A Law that would guide Israel for the next 1500 years until He sent His Son, Jesus, to die for the sins of the people. I led the Israelites for 40 years before God took me home. I never entered the Promised Land, but did get to see it from high atop the mountains. It was beautiful.

After Jesus began His ministry on Earth, God sent me back with Elias to talk with Him on a mountain top. Peter, James and John, three of His Apostles, witnessed this transfiguration and could not believe what they were seeing. God declared to them, *"this is my beloved Son, hear ye Him!"*

My life was full of turns and I made some mistakes, but God used me to accomplish His objectives. I learned that I must submit my will to His. Each of us must learn to do that also. Otherwise, our life will be a struggle. Submit your life and will to God and let Him use you to accomplish great things!

Think about it.

Here's hoping you'll make the *"most of your minutes"* this week.

Hope to see you at Bible Study tonight.

In Christian Love,

Bob Strickland