

Title: No longer slaves
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Moses is an example to us

1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-6 ¹ For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵ Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. ⁶ Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did.

Moses was born in slavery

HEBREWS 11:23 'By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

Moses chose the Kingdom

HEBREWS 11:24-26 ²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

Moses endured suffering for Jesus

HEBREWS 11:27 By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.

Moses was saved by the blood of the lamb

HEBREWS 11:28 By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

Moses was baptized in the Red Sea

Hebrews 11:29 By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned.

Some inherited the Promised Land

HEBREWS 11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.

They walked by faith not by sight

HEBREWS 11:1-2 ¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith they received their reward

HEBREWS 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

We are saved through faith

EPHESIANS 2:8-9 ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Faith is the foundation and love is the fruit

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Jesus was seeking faith

O you of little faith?"

"Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?"

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

"Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?"

"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

"Go your way; your faith has made you well."

"Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

"Do not fear; only believe, and she will be well."

Lord, "Increase our faith!"

LUKE 17:5-6 ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you

Love grows from our faith

2 PETER 1:5-8 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ

We receive the promises by faith

GALATIANS 3:22-24 ²² But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. ²³ Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴ So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith.

By faith we all become sons of God

GALATIANS 3:25-26 ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

We are no longer slaves

GALATIANS 4:1-3 ¹ I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ² but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³ In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Orphans live FOR love...sons live FROM love

- Leif Hetland

Are we children of circumstances or children of faith? - Smit Wigglesworth