

The Leadership of Moses

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<u>Introduction</u>: Leadership is an important subject. It is essential in sports, business, and in the church. We know that Jesus is the Chief Shepherd (1 Peter 5:4, Ephesians 1:22-23), but we also need leaders within local congregations (i.e. elders, deacons, ministers/evangelists, teachers, etc.). We can learn great principles by observing examples God has given us in the Bible. Moses was a great leader: He is mentioned more in the New Testament than any other Old Testament character. Let's notice some things about His leadership....

Discussion:

1) Moses Had Faith Hebrews 11:24, Hebrews 11:1, Romans 10:17

2) Moses Had Desire Exodus 2:13-14, Acts 7:25, James 3:1, I Timothy 3:1

3) Moses Had Training Acts 7:22, I Peter 2:11

4) Moses Had Courage Exodus 3:11-12, Joshua 1:6-7, 9, II Timothy 1:7

5) Moses Had Vision Hebrews 11:26, Proverbs 29:18

6) Moses Had Conviction Hebrews 11:27, II Corinthians 5:14

> 7) Moses Had Integrity Hebrews 11:25, Job 2:3, 9

8) Moses Had Endurance Hebrews 11:25, II Timothy 3:12

> 9) Moses Had Meekness Numbers 12:3, Exodus 3:7-8

10) Moses Had Power Exodus 18:25-26, Deuteronomy 1:15

11) Moses Had Cooperation Exodus 17, Hebrews 11:29, I Corinthians 3:9, II Corinthians 6:1 12) Moses Had Justice Deuteronomy 1:16-17, 16:18-19

> 13) Moses Had Appeal Exodus 18:13-26, Job 12:2

14) Moses Had Compassion Exodus 2:11-14, 32:9-14, Numbers 14:11-20, Deuteronomy 9:13-14, 19-20, Hebrews 11:25

15) Moses Had Humility I Peter 5:5-6, James 4:6-7, Exodus 3:11, Numbers 20, III John 9, Titus 1:7

16) Moses Had Reverence Exodus 3:4-5, Hebrews 11:24-28

17) Moses Had Value Hebrews 11:24-27, Numbers 12:7

18) Moses Had Labor Hebrews 11:26, Exodus 32-34

19) Moses Had Prudence Exodus 8:29, I Corinthians 3:6-7

> 20) Moses Had Security Hebrews 11:27-28, Exodus 12

Conclusion: All of these characteristics helped Moses to find freedom. It is the responsibility of spiritual leaders to lead God's people through the Red Sea's of life. The sea is in front of us... the mountains are on either side of us... and the enemy is closing in behind us. A choice has to be made! God says He will open up the sea and give us dry passage to the other side. Will you follow the true leaders of God? Don't worry about the obstacles. Don't worry about the enemy. Don't worry about the length of the journey. Just follow the Lord's direction!