

Christ Superior to Moses

Sermon 8 in the Hebrews Series

Hebrews 3:1-6

I. Exposition -- 3:1-6

Verse 1

- holy brethren **10:10, 14**

- Heavenly calling

- Confession -- *homologia*

Lit. "To say the same thing" It has to do with a public declaration.

"to express openly one's allegiance to a proposition or person"

"To profess, to confess, confession"

Confession occurs two more times in Hebrews -- 4:14 and 10:19-23

- Christ -- Jesus Christ (messiah) appears for the first time in our epistle.
- Apostle = the sent one.
- High Priest = a theme that will be explored in depth

Verse 2

Numbers 12:7 – "*My servant Moses, he is faithful in all my house.*"

The purpose in this section is not to disrespect Moses, BUT to show -- Christ is FAR SUPERIOR to Moses.

Verses 3-6

- Moses was a faithful SERVANT of God, which is a great honor.
- Christ is the Son of God.

The house of Moses is not referring to the Tabernacle – but the people he led through the wilderness – which proved to be a mixed multitude.

We are the house of Christ.
Built by Him and for Him.

Not a mixed multitude – but the people of God – which is proved by our perseverance which is facilitated by his preservation.

II. The Greatness of Moses

1. Moses was chosen by God for his task.
2. Moses became the great deliverer of his people.
3. He served as Israel's greatest Prophet.
4. Moses was the lawgiver.

To the Jew the law was the greatest thing in all the world.

Moses was the conduit for:

The Ten Commandments, all the Levitical laws

The sacrificial laws, the national laws of Israel

The creation of the Tabernacle right down to the minutest detail

5. Moses was Israel's great historian.
6. In spite of all these achievements, we also know that Moses was the most humble man on the face of the earth.
Numbers 12:3 -- Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.
7. The respect for Moses was so great, that when the Lord took him, the Lord hid his bones, so they would not be worshipped. Deut. 34:5-6

III. Applications

1. Christ willingly took upon Himself the work of the redeemer.
2. If Moses was faithful, (and he was) how much more was Christ faithful?
3. We can learn from the faithfulness of Moses.
4. Christ is superior to Moses in His people.
5. Christ is superior to Moses in His inheritance.

“Let us hold fast our confidence, lest suddenly, by reason of some infidelity, we should doubt the possibility of being saved through Christ, and seek help in carnal observances for salvation; but, setting these aside, let us trust without any doubting that Christ alone is sufficient for everything. For it has been shown that Christ is far more noble than Moses, so that we should cling to Christ alone, in whom we have all things, and to the glory of hope, that is, the hope that is glorious because it relates to the joy of heaven, and firm, that is which endures to the end of life, when what is now hoped for will be received.” Herveus – a 12th century theologian