

God Uses Ordinary People Just Like You and Me!

*“Lessons from the
Life of Moses”*



**Why was God able to use
Moses so effectively?**

**Moses lived a simple
life following sound
principles...**



- Being yourself.
- Taking responsibility for your own life.
- Refusing to compromise your values.
- Keeping an eye on your future.

Hebrews 11:24-28 (niv)



Being Yourself

Growing up Moses had an identity crisis. He was born Jewish but he was raised Egyptian. He had to decide at some point in his life *"Who he was going to be."*



vs 24 - By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter .



Taking Responsibility for your own Life.

*vs 25 - Moses chose to be
mistreated along with the
people of God rather than
to enjoy the pleasures of
sin for a short time.*



God has given each of us
freedom to choose what path
our lives will take.

Responsible people take
ownership of their decisions.



One of the signs of maturity is accepting responsibility for our own decisions.



Refuse to Compromise your Values.

vs 26 - He regarded disgrace
for the sake of Christ as of
greater value than the treasures
in Egypt because he was looking
ahead to his reward.



**Moses considered God's will
of greater value than all of
the treasures of Egypt he
could have had as Pharaoh.**



Moses decided that God's purpose is more valuable than popularity.

vs 24 - By faith, Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter.



Moses decided that people are more valuable than pleasures.

vs 25 - He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.



Moses decided that God's peace is more valuable than possessions.

vs 26 - He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as greater value than the treasures of Egypt.



Jesus said in...

**Luke 12:15 (nlt) *Then he said,
“Beware! Guard against every kind
of greed. Life is not measured by
how much you own.”***

***We love people and
we use things.***



Keeping an eye on our future.

vs 26 - ...*because he was
looking ahead to his
reward.*



Moses was looking ahead
beyond the present and it was
continuously looking forward.

*vs 27 - By faith, he left Egypt,
not fearing the king's anger.
He persevered because he
saw him who is invisible.*



**Obstacles are what
we see when we take
our eyes off the goal!**

2 Corinthians 4:16-17 (niv)



And the problems that
we're facing right now
have an eternal purpose.

2 Corinthians 4:18 (niv)



Paul is saying the things
we don't see are going to
outlast the things we do see.

*vs 27 - By faith, he left Egypt,
not fearing the king's anger.
He persevered because he
saw him who is invisible.*



Hebrews 12:1-3 (niv)

Jesus did the same thing
Moses did. He looked
beyond the problem and
saw the results.



**Our happiness is determined
by our character.**

**Our character is determined
by our choices.**



**Our choices are determined
by our values.**

**Our values are determined
by our vision - what we are
focused on!**

