

Message by Pastor Randy Archer  
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The Morphing of Moses  
Hebrews 11:23-28

Moses seemed to have it made. He was adopted into Pharaoh's family and had everything a person could ever want or need. But according to the writer of Hebrews, Moses *did not* have everything. In fact, what he lacked was of far greater value, and was at odds with his life of comfort and ease. So he gave up the "pleasures of sin ... for the sake of Christ."

Questions for Discussion:

1. How did Moses show faith?
2. What did Moses give up by renouncing his place in Pharaoh's family?
3. Looking a bit deeper, what do you think "the pleasures of sin" – which Moses gave up – refers to in verse 25?
  - a. Does this refer only to gross sins, or does it include comforts and luxuries? (25-26)
  - b. Can we draw any parallels to the life of the believer today? Are there pleasures available to us that may not be gross sin but are contrary to the way of Christ?
  - c. Can a parallel be drawn to the luxuries of living in Egypt and the luxuries of living in America today? Why or why not?
4. What do believers today sacrifice by aligning themselves with Jesus?
5. Have you ever given up something of the world in order to more closely follow Christ?