

Decisions and Consequences

Heb 11:24-27

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Thesis: I want to show what lessons we can learn from the decisions of Moses.

Intro: 1. Godly men make great decisions even in the midst of difficult times.
2. Moses, while not without sin, made many great choices. Today we will look at what we can learn from his choices.

I. Moses refused some things in life

A. He refused earthly possessions (**Heb 11:26**)

1. Egypt was a wealth nation and had many “treasures” v.26
2. There are some things more valuable than earthly treasures (**Mt 6:19-20**)

B. Moses refused earthly power (**Heb 11:24**)

1. The rich young ruler found something was lacking in his life (**Mk 10:17-22**)

C. He refused the pleasures of sin (**Heb 11:25**)

1. There is no lasting pleasure in sin.
2. The pleasure is deceptive: brief, never really satisfying basic needs of mankind.

II. Moses chose to accept unpleasant things in life.

A. He chose a life of sacrifice (**Heb 11:24-26**)

B. He chose a life of suffering (**Heb 11:25**)

C. He chose a life of service (**Heb 11:27-29**)

III. The reason behind the choices of Moses

A. Moses was guided by faith (**Heb 11:24**)

1. Moses followed the will and word of God.
 - a. Such faith is founded upon hearing His Word & obeying (**Rom 10:17**).

B. He sacrificed and endured, “seeing Him who is invisible” (**Heb 11:27**).

1. One can love and believe in the invisible God (**1 Pt 1:8**)

C. Moses endured because of the reward (**Heb 11:6b**)

IV. Lessons for us today.

A. Moses made the right decisions in view of eternity

1. He was a leader and example of righteousness (**Act 3:22-23**)
2. Moses was there at the mount of transfiguration, this shows His great obedience to God (**Mt 17:1-3**)

B. What must mankind do today?

1. Refuse the pleasures of sin.
2. Let God’s word guide our decisions.

Application & Conclusion:

1. All choices have consequences.
 - a. Good or Bad (**Ecc 12:13-14**)
2. Let us be wise enough to use God’s word to guide our decisions.

3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9