

**FAITH THAT PLEASURES GOD II:  
MOSES VALUED CHRIST MORE THAN THE TREASURES OF EGYPT**

Hebrews 11:17-29

Key Verse: 11:6, 26

**<sup>6</sup>“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.” <sup>26</sup>“He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.”**

1. In what sense was God’s test difficult for Abraham (17a)? How did he demonstrate his faith (17b-19)? How seriously did Abraham take God’s promise? How is Isaac related to God’s promise of the Messiah and his world salvation work (Gen 22:18; Gal 3:8,16)?
2. How did Isaac’s blessing affect the future of Jacob and Esau (20; Gen 28:13-14; 12:16-17)? How would Jacob’s faith of blessing Joseph’s sons and worshiping God encourage the Hebrew believers (21)? How did Joseph plant hope in God’s promise in his descendants (22)?
3. How did Moses’ parents express their faith and what made this possible (23)? What does Moses’ refusal to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter mean? (24) What positive decision did Moses make and what was the practical implication (25)?
4. Read verse 26. What motivated Moses in making his decision? Contrast the disgrace Moses endured and the treasures of Egypt. What was Moses’ reward and how does the author relate this to God’s promise of Christ? How should such faith affect our decision making?
5. What enabled Moses to leave Egypt along with his people and how could he persevere (27; cf. 1,3)? What was the significance of keeping the Passover (28)? How does the contrast between the people of Israel and the Egyptians emphasize the importance of faith (29)?