

Moses - Part 1
Game Changers
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- Laws of Growth
- Looking at characters of the bible
- Moses
- The Law of Sacrifice
- Every person here is an influencer
- We all have the ability to make a difference
- We can all change the game
- Develop People
- Key Influencers

Allow the God of time, seasons, and eternity to shape your time, seasons, & eternity.

Hebrews 11:23-29 (ESV) By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned.

To Make A Difference:

1st) You have to **KNOW** who you are.

Hebrews 11:24 (ESV) By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,

A) Knowing my identity demonstrates spiritual **MATURITY**.

- Who am I?
- Where did I come from?
- Where am I going?
- Does my life have meaning?
- What did God put me on this planet for?
- when he was grown up
- So what we have with Moses is
- A full-scale identity crisis
- He can pretend for the rest of my life that he's really Pharaoh's grandson.
- Or he can admit that he is the son of Jewish slaves
- Which one would you choose?

Eph. 1:1 (NIV) To God's holy people in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus:

B) Knowing my true identity defines my **RESPONSIBILITIES**.

- It clarifies what God expects of me.
- It also clarifies what God doesn't expect of me.
- I've learned that God doesn't expect me to lead worship
- God created you to do some things in life
- But he didn't create you to do everything.
- It's called stress.
- Stress is the warning sign that you're taking on too much responsibility.

Two Marks of Spiritual Maturity:

I'm spiritually mature when I stop blaming others for my life's **DIRECTION**.

- We grow up learning in America it's always somebody else's fault.
- But no one can ruin your life without your permission
- Moses accepted responsibility.

I'm spiritually mature when I stop living off other people's spiritual **COMMITMENT**.

- Who are you blaming for the direction of your life?
- Who are you blaming for your unhappiness?
- Stop it

Ezra 10:4 (ESV) Arise, for it is your task, and we are with you; be strong and do it."

2nd) You have to make sacrificial **DECISIONS**.

Heb. 11:25 (ESV) choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

- Knowing my true identity decides my priorities.
- Moses knew what to focus on and what to ignore.

A game changer must **GIVE** up to **GO** up.

- They don't realize that leadership really requires sacrifice.
- Effective game changers sacrifice what is good in order to dedicate themselves to what is best.
- Influence means sacrifice.
- What price are you willing to pay to become more effective?

4 Leadership Disciplines:

A) Moses spent **TIME** with God.

- Moses had grown quiet enough to hear God’s voice.
- To be a game changer, take some time to get alone with God.

B) Moses was **HONEST** with God.

Ex. 3:11 (NIV) But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?”

- The Lord can use you if you can honestly look at yourself, admit your weaknesses and humble yourself before God

C) Moses had a **DESIRE** for God.

D) Moses was **MOLDED** by God.

Ex. 3:3-4 (ESV) “And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” When the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, ‘Moses, Moses!’”

3rd) You have to see the big **PICTURE**.

Heb. 11:26 (ESV) He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

- An Eternal picture

Heb. 11:27 (ESV) By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.

- He knew his values
- Tell me the 5 most important values in your life and name them in order
- Time with God
- Time with Jen
- Time working on sermons
- Time working on business
- Time for exercise