



Owasso First Assembly

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1. Jesus—The Perfect Hero
2. Joshua—The Courageous Hero
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6. Esther—The Strategic Hero

MOSES—THE DIVERSE HERO

Vault verse for this series: Philippians 3:17 (ESV) *Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us.*

1. Moses is mentioned in the Old Testament 767 times and 85 times in the New Testament.
2. He is mentioned in 27 of the 66 books of the Bible.
3. He is known for extraordinary accomplishments and is one of the most significant characters in the Bible. Deut. 34:10-12
4. His leadership is pivotal to the history of Israel.
5. He was a statesman, historian, judge, commander, prophet, author, teacher, lawgiver, and intercessor.
6. He lived for 120 years and had good vision and full strength when he died. Deut. 34:7.
7. His life can be easily divided into three sections of 40 years each.

1. Moses was a prince in Egypt (first 40 years) **development**

Exodus 2:1-10 Acts 7:20-22 Hebrews 11:24-26

1. Moses was born into slavery. The Israelites were slaves to Egypt for 430 years. Ex 12:40.
2. Pharaoh had commanded that every Jewish newborn boy to be thrown into the Nile River.
3. When Moses was born his mother placed him in a waterproof basket and placed it in the Nile.
4. Pharaoh's daughter saw the basket and heard Moses crying and felt sorry for him.
5. Moses became the son of Pharaoh's daughter.
6. Miriam, the sister of Moses, was at the Nile when Moses was discovered and offered to find a Hebrew woman to care for Moses during the first years of life.
7. Moses was raised with an understanding of his Hebrew culture and wanted to help his people.
8. Moses was raised with all of the benefits of being a son of Pharaoh's daughter.

Acts 7:22 (ESV) *And Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and he was mighty in his words and deeds.*

Hebrews 11:24-26 (ESV) *²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.*

9. Moses saw an Egyptian abusing a Hebrew slave and took matters into his own hands killing

the Egyptian hiding his body in the sand. Prov 28:13

10. Moses had to flee the palace and headed toward Midian. A journey of more than 400 miles.

2. Moses was a shepherd in Midian (second 40 years) **resolution**

Exodus 2:11-21 Acts 7:23-29 Heb 11:27

1. Moses arrives in Midian and immediately gets into another altercation.
2. Moses rescues the daughters of the priest of Midian and is welcomed into the family.
3. For 40 years Moses was a shepherd for the flocks of his father-in-law.
4. He marries Zipporah and they have two sons Gershom (a stranger there) and Eliezer (my God is my help) **Acts 7:29–30 (ESV)** ²⁹ *At this retort Moses fled and became an exile in the land of Midian, where he became the father of two sons.* ³⁰ *“Now when forty years had passed, an angel appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai, in a flame of fire in a bush.*
5. Moses spent forty years in character refinement. He grew in humility, determination, alertness, and perseverance.

3. Moses was the leader of Israel (last 40 years) **accomplishment**

Exodus 3-40 Numbers, Deuteronomy Acts 7:30-36 Heb 11:28-29

1. The King of Egypt who sought to kill Moses dies.
2. Moses is now 80 years old when God places an assignment on his life in the desert using a burning bush to attract his attention.
Exodus 3:4-8a ⁷ *Then the Lord told him. I have certainly seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their cries of distress because of their harsh slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. ⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and lead them out of Egypt into their own fertile and spacious land.*
3. Moses states four reasons he can't be the person God uses. Exodus 3:11-4:17.
 - a. He doubts his worth, (Gods answer-I will be with you)
 - b. fears rejection of the people,
 - c. questions his ability and finally
 - d. pleas for **anyone else** to be chosen. Moses is reluctant!!!
4. Moses and Aaron return to Egypt and meet with the elders.
5. Moses places ten plagues on the Egyptians while pleading for freedom.
6. They are released after the 10th plague and Moses leads the people out of Egypt.
7. Moses begins the journey of freedom organizing them into a nation and teaching them to know and follow God.
8. Moses faithfully led the people even though they were often angry with him.
9. Moses was prevented from entering the promised land because of his disobedience to God.
10. Moses' life was marked by providence, perseverance, faith, wisdom, obedience, courage, and developed skill.