

“A Prophet Like Moses”

Parallels Between Moses and Jesus Christ

“The Lord your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear.”

~Deuteronomy 18:15

- Both born at a time when their people were under the rule of gentile oppressors. (Ex 1:11; Matt. 2:1)
- Edicts for their death were issued by Gentile rulers at the time of their birth. (Ex. 1:22; Matt. 2:16)
- Both exiled in a foreign land until the rulers who sought their lives were dead. (Ex. 4:19; Matt. 2:15)
- Both were appointed to deliver God’s people from slavery. (Acts 7:35; Matthew 1:21)
- Both stood as mediators between God and His people. (Deut. 5:5; 1 Timothy. 2:5)
- Both were humble in their service to God and man. (Numbers 12:3; Philippians 2:8)
- Those who they delivered were baptized into them. (1 Cor. 10:2; Acts 2:38)
- Both were given the authority to Judge. (Exodus 18:13; Acts 10:42)
- Both are shepherds. (Ex. 3:1; John 10:11-16)
- Moses struck the rock in the desert and waters flowed out. (Ex. 17:6). Jesus Christ is the spiritual rock from whom rivers of living water flow out. (John 7:37)
- Moses set up a bronze serpent on a pole in the wilderness so the people who looked upon it would be healed and live (Numbers 21:8). Jesus Christ was lifted up on a pole so that all who truly acknowledge His sacrifice can be spiritually healed and receive eternal life. (John 3:14-15)
- Both Moses and Jesus had a face to face relationship with God unlike any other.(Deut. 34:10, Jn 6:46)
- Moses’ early miracle was turning water into blood (Ex. 7:20). Jesus first public miracle was turning water into wine, which symbolizes blood. (John 2:1-11)
- Under Moses, Ancient Israel was instructed in the ceremony of the Old Covenant Passover. (Ex. 12) Under Jesus Christ, the disciples were instructed in the ceremony of the New Covenant Passover. (Luke 22, Mark 14, John 13).

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- Moses delivered the law of God to the people (John 1:17). Jesus magnified the law and its spiritual intent to the people. (Matt. 5:17-28)
- Moses sent 12 spies to serve as witnesses of Canaan (Numbers 13). Jesus chose 12 disciples to serve as witnesses of Him (Luke 6:13).
- Moses appointed 70 elders (Numbers 11:16). Jesus Christ sent out 70 to preach the gospel (Luke 10:1).
- Moses fasted 40 days and nights (Ex. 34:28). Jesus Christ fasted 40 days and nights (Matt. 4:2).
- Moses face shone after meeting with God on the mountain (Ex. 34:29). Jesus face shone like the sun on the mountain of His transfiguration (Matt 17:1-2).
- Both were rejected by the majority of the people they came to serve. (Acts 7:39; John 1:11)
- Both Moses and Jesus had the wind and the waves obey them. (Ex. 14:21,27; Matt. 8:26)
- Both were given God's public acknowledgment with an audible voice that was heard by the crowd. (Exodus. 19:9; Matt. 3:17, Matt. 17:5)