Believing God

Outline

Persuasion of Faith: Moses Message 8

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A. Introduction (2 Corinthians 4:17. C/R: Romans 8:18)

3. Accept the ______ of God. (Hebrews 11:27-28; 12:2-3. C/R: Exodus 12:13-29)

B. Faith persuades us to...

1. _____ our identity in Christ. (Hebrews 11:23. C/R: Exodus 1:8-2:2; Acts 7:20)

Answers: 1. Prioritize **2.** prize **3.** provision

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2. Reject the ______ of the world. (Hebrews 11:24-26; 1 John 2:15-17. C/R: Hebrews 11:37-38)

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Discussion Guide

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Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God.

Conversation Starter

Describe a major turning point in your life.

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you reflect on this week's lesson.

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read Hebrews 11:23-28.

- 1. What did Moses' parents do to live out their faith? What consequences did they face (vs. 23, see also Exodus 1:1-2:10)?
- 2. Do you think it was right for Moses' parents to disobey Pharaoh (the king of Egypt)? Why or why not?
- 3. The highlights of Moses' life are recorded in <u>Acts 7:20-39</u>. As Moses embraced God's plan for his life, what opposition did he face?
- 4. Has God ever asked you to take a step of faith you knew would be difficult? If so, what consequences did you face? Did you have courage to take the step, or did you shrink away from God's direction? Explain.
- 5. <u>Romans 2:14-15</u> tells us that God placed His moral law within the heart of every human being (in the form of a conscience) and that God knows our secret thoughts and actions. What implications does this have for your life?
- 6. Following Jesus requires us to have different values than the world. Read <u>Romans 12:1-2</u>; James 4:4-6; <u>1 John 2:15-17</u> and write down important truths. If you took these heart, what changes would you need to make in your life?

- 7. Read <u>Exodus 3:7-15</u>. Does Moses' response to God's call reflect a low self-image, true humility or lack of faith? Why do you think that? How does God reassure him?
- 8. God commands all of us to *make disciples* (<u>Matthew 28:18-20</u>). What does this mean? In what ways are you living this out? How does God reassure us as we carry out this mighty task?
- 9. What step of faith is God asking you to take right now?

Soul Training

Select one of this week's daily readings and write out a prayer to God in response to what you read.

Memory Verse

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Daily Reading

Day 1: <u>Acts 7:20-39</u>	Day 4: Colossians 1:22-27
Day 2: <u>Romans 2:14-15</u>	Day 5: <u>1 Corinthians 16:13-14</u>
Day 3: <u>Joshua 1:1-9</u>	

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, August 16, we'll continue the series *Believing God*, by considering some important truths regarding the nation of Israel as a whole. To prepare for the message, read <u>Deuteronomy 30:1-10</u> and <u>Hebrews 11:29-30</u>.



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