

By Faith, Moses

Hebrews 11:23-29

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Hebrews 11:1

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (NASB)

Faith is being sure of what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see.

(NIV)

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the <u>evidence</u> (the proof, that by which a thing is tested or proved) of things not seen. (KJV)

Class Definition: Biblical faith is absolute trust in God and what He has declared to be true.

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4. So, why don't we see mountains moving and mulberry trees flying?

See definition of faith in #1.

Faith is not believing God is some magic genie, waiting to do my command. It is believing that God will do what HE said He is going to do in His word, the Bible.

Therefore, it is imperative to be a diligent student of God's word.

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They demonstrated their faith by hiding Moses. How was this an act of faith?

Faith will enable you to obey God, even if you have to disobey men.

Faith will make you bold, in spite of your fear.

Sometimes you don't know all of the steps on a pathway of obedience. You only know the next step, and in faith you take it.

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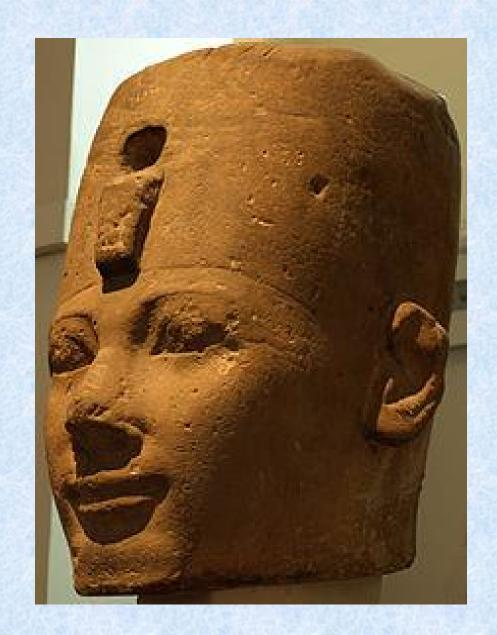
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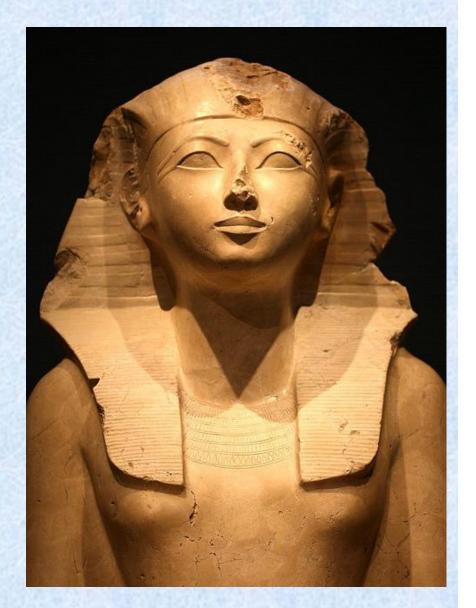
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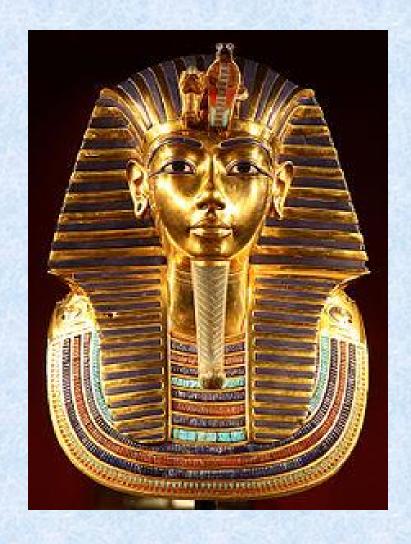
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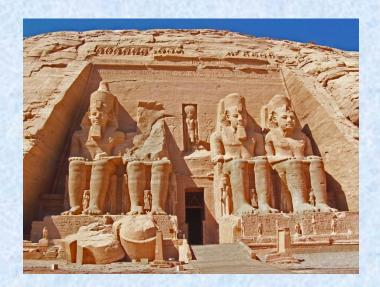
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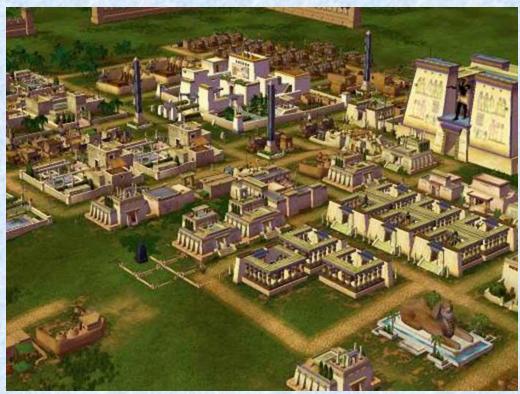
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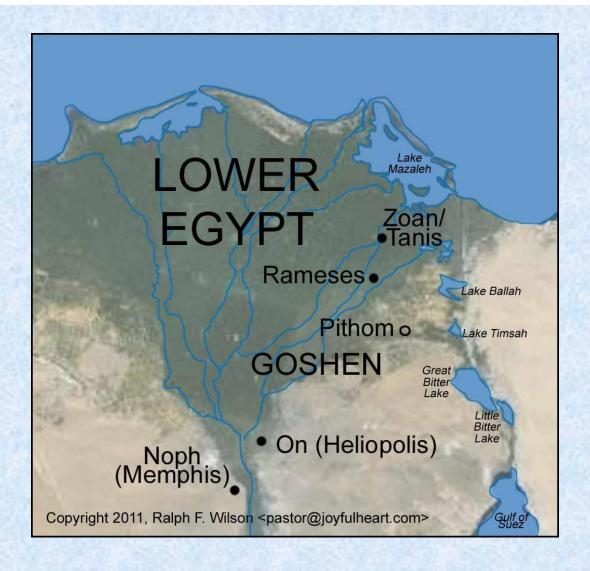
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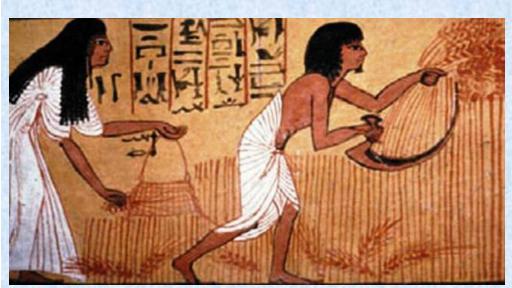


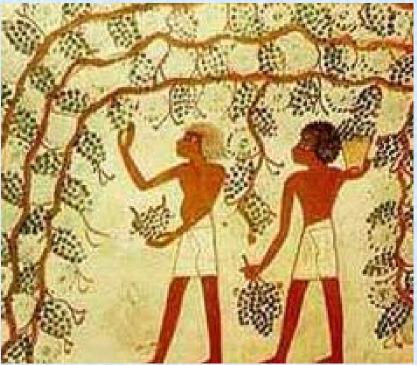












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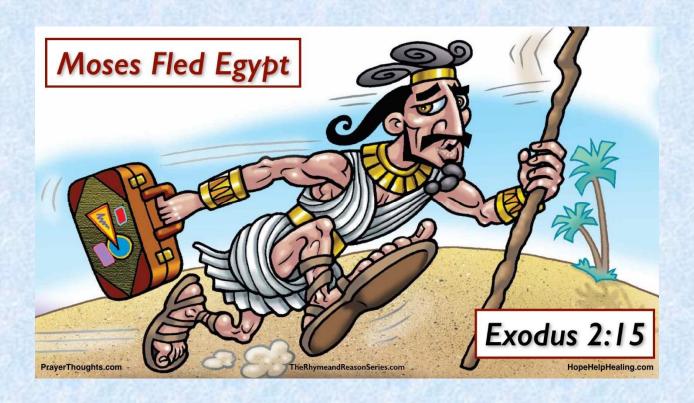
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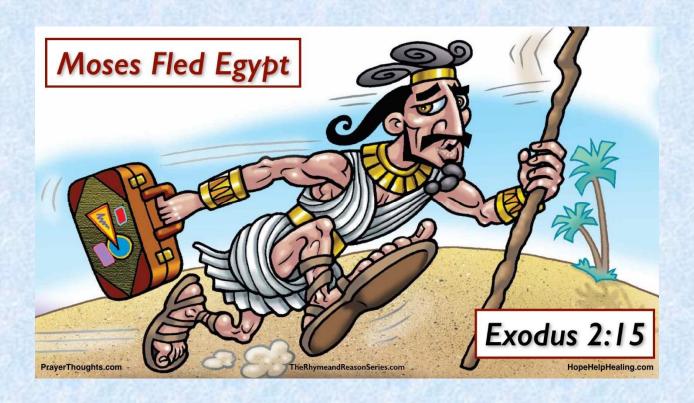
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How was this faith?

He was leading 2 to 3 million people but did not know the path God wanted him to take.

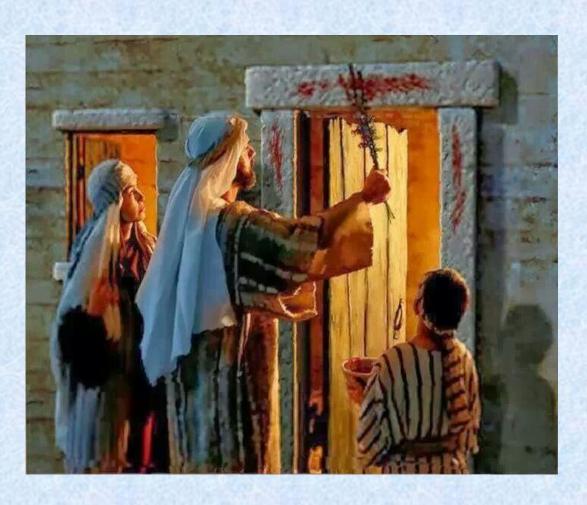
He had no logistics for food or water along the way.

Moses trusted and obeyed God, and it was that faith that allowed him and the nation Israel to endure through all the years of wilderness wandering.

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Faith is necessary for salvation, both in believing that we need to be saved, and believing in the means of salvation that God has provided.

Faith also involves proclaiming that message to others.

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The Egyptians performed the same physical act as the Israelites, but it did not save them.

One was an act of faith, the other was presumption.

People can do the same acts and rituals as Christians, but if not done in faith, it will not save them.

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1. Hiding baby Moses - Moses' parents

2. Refusing Egyptian royalty - Moses

3. Leaving Egypt - Moses

4. Keeping the Passover - Moses

5. Passing through the Red Sea - The people Moses led

God uses people to influence, inspire and encourage the faith of others.

By faith _____ went and did the work God had for him/her.