

Hebrews 3:1-6

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The writer of Hebrews shows the superiority of the new covenant in Christ, highlighting his faithfulness and sufficiency as the ultimate mediator between God and man.

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Description

In this sermon, the preacher discusses the encounter of two disciples with Jesus after his resurrection. Jesus explains to them the significance of his suffering and death, starting from Moses and the Old Testament scriptures. The preacher highlights the frustration of Moses in leading the Israelites out of Egypt but not being able to lead them into the Promised Land due to their lack of faith. The sermon also mentions the provision of manna to the Israelites in the wilderness and the role of Pharaoh's daughter in raising Moses.

Transcript

Consider the apostle and high priest of our profession, Christ Jesus, who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house. For this man is counted worthy of more glory than Moses in as much as he who hath built the house hath more honor than the house. For every house is built by some man, but he that built all things is God.

And Moses verily was faithful in all of his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after. But Christ, as a son, over his own house, whose house are we, if we hold fast to the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. Lord, again and again and again, we want to thank you for your word.

We thank you, Lord, that our heart is always hungry for it, like our body is for physical food, that no matter what it is that we maybe had a few days ago and it won't carry us on now, we need more physical food. And so also, Lord, we need the spiritual food. We need your word to speak to us, to strengthen us, to encourage, to refresh each one, Lord.

So we ask that you would open it to our hearts and that we would receive it and it would be meat, food for our soul. We ask it in Jesus' name, amen. Well, here as we continue on once again with the book of Hebrews, just to remind us, of course, here the project essentially the writer of the book of Hebrews has

here for us is to want to show these new believers, originally this group born and raised in Judaism under the old covenant, under the law, under all of the mosaic structures of worship and approach to God, but now Christ has come and has fulfilled all of these things and his task here in writing the book of Hebrews is to show on how that the new covenant in Christ is superior, is supreme, is sufficient over everything and everybody and anything that has ever come along before.

It's a better mediator that's been offered to us, this new covenant is. And thus, as he's picking up the topic here, he's going through process by process to everything that the Jewish mind would be looking at and would be thinking of being supreme to them. Things that had once God had even put in a place of great authority to them.

And now he has to say all of those things that once had this great place of authority, they have been replaced because they have been fulfilled in Christ. Thus, he's wanting to show here in Hebrews that he's better than Moses, better than angels, better than Joshua, better than Aaron, the high priest, better than the old covenant, all of the structures of it, better than all of the Old Testament sacrifices. And so as he's kind of just systematically going through this, he's already done angels and on how their Christ being the creator essentially of the angels themselves, as glorious as the angels were.

Well now his second task here is, is to show again the Jewish mind that Jesus is better than Moses. Which again, for the particularly the Hebrew mind, this is no small task. Because as far as they were concerned, Moses was without question the greatest human to ever live.

To many of the Jews, he was even greater and better than Moses. And when you do look at Moses's credentials essentially, at his accomplishments, it's pretty, pretty awesome to say the least. I mean the man literally controlled nature for 40 years.

You know, he turns a rod to a serpent, the red seed of blood, brings the plagues of the frogs, dust to lice, the swarms of flies, and brings sickness to the cattle, boils upon man and beast and locusts, and brings darkness over all of Egypt. Ultimately, he opens up the Red Sea, leads the children of Israel through on dry land, then he closes the Red Sea on the mightiest army and Pharaoh ever, and destroys them as they then go on into the wilderness. And while there, he provides manna for them every day.

Yeah, from heaven for all these years, the whole generation in the wilderness. Smoth of the rock, when there was no water anywhere, and water came out of the rock, goes up onto a mountaintop, holds a rod of God high, and destroys an army. The earth quakes and opens and swallows up, you know, their enemies.

And it's a rather amazing thing just to look at. I mean, when you just think of manna, we're just so used to hearing about manna there day by day. But they were each given an omer, it's called, of manna, which is 0.9154 tenths of a gallon per day of manna given to each one of the children of Israel, or about 3.66 quarts.

Now, when you stop to look at the size of the children of Israel, every morning for them, when they would get up, there's over somewhere between 20 and 25 million pounds of fresh manna delivered for them. I mean, that's over, you know, 10 to 12 tons a day, just delivered. Thank you, Moses, we got bread.

We got what we need to get through. I mean, astounding things that this man, you know, actually accomplished. He had a face-to-face relationship with God, something utterly unknown in a sense before.

The glory of God, the Bible tells us, literally shone forth from his face. Prophets had visions, but Moses sat and he spoke with God. He overpowered Pharaoh, as we said, in the taskmasters, which held them in bondage for some 400 years.

Like Enoch, in a sense, Moses, there he walked and he talked with God, and Moses experienced the power and the presence of God more than anybody else ever, when you would look at his life, let alone pastoring a church of over 2 million people. That's quite a congregation to oversee, and unfortunately, they were a tough group of people, always murmuring, complaining, constantly there, you know, striving. Bitter, as Moses even said, why chide you against God and chide you against me? Moses there, and he is so frustrating.

These people never wanted to go, where he was attempting so much to lead them. He had been called by God to take them out of Egypt and into the Promised Land. He got them out, but he could never leave them in.

They wouldn't believe, they wouldn't trust God for any more, and thus they sat in the wilderness for 40 years. What a miserable congregation. By the way, you are a wonderful congregation, I want to tell you that.

But the wonderful group of people, but when you think there of having 2 million people day by day, it never, you know, never seemed to like, you know, even this wonderful manna that came day by day to them for them. They come along, they said, you know, we're sick and tired of this manna, manna in the morning, manna in the evening, manna at suppertime, and they got sick and tired of it. But it was never designed to satisfy them.

It was only designed by God to sustain them in their journey from Egypt on into the Promised Land, which we're told in the Bible was an 11-day journey. It only should have taken them 11 days to get from, you know, Egypt to Canaan. It took them 40 years.

U.S. Postal Service is better than that. But when you look at Moses, and you watch him, and you realize this man, you know, born of poor slaves in Egypt, lived in a humble little, you know, slave tent in Goshen. Satan then literally, you know, watching there and coming to the realization, though, that the children of Israel, they're growing in number so huge that even Pharaoh is beginning to fear the capacity of these slaves to attempt to overthrow them.

And so Pharaoh there realizing there he's got to do something. He puts out an edict there that every baby boy is going to be killed, and here through all of all the slaves to weaken them. There to keep their numbers down, though he needed them for all of his treasure cities and all the things he was building as slaves, but they were growing so rapidly that to kind of, you know, weaken the strength there.

Now not realizing that what was really going on is Satan was wanting to destroy their deliverer, Moses, there when he is born. His parents hid him as long as they could, but there for fear that his cries in the night would be heard, and he would be killed. By faith they take him, they make this little ark, this little boat, and they take it down to the Nile River, and just by faith they've just got to release it.

And not knowing how God can do anything, all they know is we've just got to give our children to the Lord. And there as they watch him go down, his sister Miriam follows watching. There were of all places as he floats down the Nile, along the banks of the Nile, Pharaoh's daughter one day is out bathing at this time

when it comes by, and there is she at the riverbank.

She sees this little ark. She calls, has the servants go get it and say, what is this? And bring it to me, and it's a little boy. And then of course she ends up taking him home and raising him as her own son.

By the way, not to get distracted too much, but do you know who the greatest female financier is in the entire Bible? Well, I'll really give you a hint, it's Pharaoh's daughter, because she went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a great prophet. But anyway, but, oh you'll use it, you'll use it, don't laugh. But out of this, here was the greatest prophet, or the greatest leader at any rate, certainly there ever to be.

Deuteronomy 34 10 says about Moses that there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. When you look at Moses, you realize that the hand of God was upon him at his preservation at his birth, all the way through and growing up there in Pharaoh's house, through the burning bush, and ultimately the Bible tells us even the hand of God dug his very grave. And when you look there at this man, you've got quite a task, particularly when you also realize that God gave Moses all of the Levitical sacrifices and the ritual.

They're the children of Israel and the world being able to come before God. God gave Moses the design of the tabernacle, the priesthood, the law, the civil law, the spiritual law, the moral law, the ceremonial law given to Moses. Moses made a way to God where virtually anybody now could go there into the tabernacle for all people essentially there being open, being understood of God's way of love and redemption and sacrifice.

Within this tabernacle you get the outer covering and then there's the second covering and then there's the curtains and then on into the holy place within it and then in the holiest of all there in the center of it where in there there was the ark and the altar, candlestick, the cherubim, the laver, the mercy seat, the showbread, all of this established there and all of these wonderful symbols of the approach and coming before God. Then when all of this is completed, that is when the temple is completed and it's dedicated and is sanctified and it's anointed with holy oil, sprinkled with blood. Then the Bible tells us literally the cloud of God's glory came on and over the tabernacle itself.

From then on that God led literally the children of Israel by a pillar of fire at night over them in a cloud by day and here to warm them in the night, a cloud by day to direct them and guide them and to protect them from the noonday heat as they're out in the wilderness they were. God gave to Moses even more than that. He gave them the Pentateuch.

That's the first five books of the Bible and if you could imagine yourself being a slave for some 400 years being let out of slavery and here you've been crying out to your God, any God, please God can't you overpower and seemingly there the gods of Egypt are more powerful than anything and then the very first words though given to you by Moses in the Pentateuch there were in the beginning Elohim and God introduced the children of Israel to their God and Jehovah God and introducing them that way they all of a sudden the children of Israel were to come to an awareness that their God was not simply a God or another God among many gods as the world conventionally thought there was the gods of the Egyptians the God of a basically any and every nation all around the Hittites Hittites,

Jebusites, all of these nations you know having their own gods their own worlds essentially all through history but here God gives to Moses the statement in the beginning God the God of the children of Israel created the heavens and the earth he is the all-powerful all-sovereign almighty God and all other gods are

merely idols and images and fallen spirits but their God is the God of all no wonder it is that the children of Israel it tells us in Romans 2 it says the Jew makes his boast in the law the Jew essentially looks around and always had the rest of the world said I'm special because God spoke to me to us through Moses he gave us worship he gave us the approach to God he gave us an awareness on how we can live in God's love how we can be accepted by him how we can be atoned and

forgiven and how we can have a right relationship with him no one else had any idea how to do this and thus is the writer of Hebrews here in chapter 3 he says wherefore holy brethren partakers of the heavenly calling in other words here when he says wherefore if you'll recall from the last study we haven't obviously not going to look at that at all when it says wherefore it goes right back to the previous things where if you were with us last week we looked there at Jesus Christ that he is if you'll remember anything from last week he's our sacrifice he is our captain he is our sanctifier he is our liberator he is our merciful and faithful high priest Christ is this unbelievable ministry to us that God has given to us through Jesus Christ and if you remember last week if you don't well I

don't remember much of it myself so I can't expect much of you but anyway no I do remember but the but it's something that here's the writer of Hebrews because of the wonderful ministry that Jesus has had far greater you know Moses as great as he was he was never the sacrifice himself he was never really the ultimate captain he wasn't the sanctifier he wasn't the liberator because he is all things and here he says now in chapter 3 says wherefore holy brethren in light of who Christ was we've been introduced to him and then he looks he says holy brethren a wonderful thought to realize by the way if you're a child of God if you've received Christ this is you holy brethren God looks at you and we'll see more of this as we get into it holy brethren but it's something there that because you

are holy brethren maybe the accuser of the brethren he comes and says you're not holy you're no good you're unlovable you're hopeless you're miserable you know and I know and we all know if the real truth about you and when it gets out you're the laughingstock of heaven but yet Jesus looks as we saw last week he is not ashamed to call us his brethren we should neither but he says partakers of the heavenly calling now he looks at there he says you are ones that you have been given a heavenly calling and he's wondering there is why in the world you have been given through Jesus Christ an eternal spiritual heavenly calling why are you messing around with earthly ritual is what he's wanting to say here a sense why is it that all of these other things that when heaven has been open you have

been you are holy brethren you are partakers of eternity heaven has been opened up unto you Moses opened up a Red Sea but here is wanting to look there and he says why are you doing this why are you getting wrapped up as he's back into Judaism back in the law back under all of these you know these things that you have to say and have to do and have to be in all of this ritual when you have been given the wonderful liberty in Christ what are you doing why are you giving that up and going back he says consider the Apostle and High Priest of our calling that word to consider it is a word that's actually used in stargazing of study the stars study you there's there's one thing to you we anybody can look up at night and see the stars that isn't what this means it means study the stars one of

the things we don't do any longer but they used to do and still do out of the sea I understand but I guess GPS systems have kind of negated the need for most all this but for most all of history the map that everybody lived by was the stars when somebody was traveling and they're out at sea they would look up and the sky was their map they could literally where all the constellations were and how they pointed where they were they could tell where they were on the earth by as they looked up and they saw the stars

and but I could see the stars but if then I'm out in the middle of the sea and I'm looking at the stars and you say where are we we're under the stars that's all I know I can't read them in here but others can somebody that has considered the stars essentially somebody that has

studied the stars they can look and tell you where they are somebody that is really evaluated what they're saying where they're pointing they tell you where you are and what direction you're going and this is what the writer of Hebrews is saying he says when he says consider Jesus Christ the Apostle and High Priest of our calling he's saying study him if you will just study him as a somebody out at sea would study the stars it'll be very simple to you you can know exactly where you are as some people literally can out and they can tell you to look at all the constellations look at it and take out their sextant and do a little work here's where we are here's where we're going instead of just floating around in the middle of the sea wondering looking at the stars study them well here the

writer of Hebrews he says if you will just make Christ your study look at him you realize there is no close to him there is no second to him there isn't another you don't need anything else he is absolutely sufficient after beholding and studying him he did is in the heavens you'll never need to look at anything earthly again find out where you're going and how to get there and here it is something's he says as you would consider him the high priest of our profession Christ Jesus who was faithful to him that appointed him he's looking there and he says about Jesus when you're looking here you see somebody absolutely faithful to his appointment here in which he was absolutely totally Matthew 317 tells us that the heavens were opened and then they heard a voice from heaven that's saying

this is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased hear ye him were there God he literally opened the heavens there at Jesus's baptism and he tells the world this is my son I'm well pleased listen to him he's completely perfectly pleasing to me Jesus went on in John 8 29 he said I do only always those things that please my father every moment of every day Jesus was absolutely faithful to his father Jesus who looked at and he said my meat is to do the will of him that sent me every moment of every day he was doing to his father's will he was faithful to God everything he had ever appointed him to do and be John 530 Jesus said I can on my own self do nothing but as I hear I respond and my response is always right because I seek not my known will but the will of him that sent me Jesus could

look there and in absolutely perfectly faithful every moment of every day his response always right Moses also though we're told here he was faithful as it says in verse 2 it says about Jesus who was faithful unto him that appointed him as also Moses was faithful in all of his house and Moses was faithful numbers 12 7 says my servant Moses is not so who is faithful in all my house God looked at Moses there in the Old Testament he says Moses is faithful in all my house but the interesting thing is as it makes it a little interjection here now of revelation here for us to look at Moses when he was a faithful servant in God's house in 1st Corinthians Paul writes he says moreover brethren it is required of stewards that a man be found faithful and again Moses was a faithful servant in God's

house yet a steward as he goes on here now as he tells us in verse 3 this man was counted but about Christ worthy of more glory than Moses in as much as he who had built of the house hath more honor than the house and now he takes you know Moses and he puts him in perspective essentially by saying that it is simply a steward he merely manages the house he does not own it he did not make it a manager a steward dispenses the leadership or the facts or watching over the house and in that Moses was faithful but Jesus is faithful in another house not just the physical one Ephesians 219 says now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners but fellow citizens and saints of the household of God Moses had a

physical visible house down here but there is another house 1st Peter 2 forces of

whom coming unto us a living stone disallowed indeed by men but chosen of God and precious and ye also as living stones are built up a spiritual house a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ and here Peter tells us there was a physical house Moses was a great steward in it as Paul tells us that as well but he said you are living stones for a spiritual house there in heaven and on one hand make no mistake about it Moses was faithful and I plan I wish I could be half as faithful as Moses was unbelievably wonderful faithful steward but Moses was faithful there is part of the house but here the point of it is as he says Jesus though actually made the house Moses was faithful in it Jesus was the maker of it on one hand there you know we I mean

it was Jesus whose hand was on Moses at his birth in his childhood it was Jesus who spoke to Moses at the burning bush when Moses came there any to the bush that burned and didn't consume any and he hears a voice and it says Moses Moses he says here I am he says take off my shoe for the place where I now stand this is holy ground he takes off his shoe and he bows and then he says remember the call that you had years ago to want to go to lead the children of Israel out of bondage now we're going to go do it and then Moses goes back and forth in this little argument what they won't believe me and everything else and then finally when he realizes okay I guess I better go do what it is after he showed him his presence and his power and his strength to achieve it there were all that the Lord

could do then Moses said who will I say said who are you when they asked what's his name tell him I am that I am has sent thee and of course when Jesus there even speaking to the to the woman at the well in the New Testament when she said you know we know the Messiah is coming and when he has come he will tell us all things Jesus turned and he said to either speaketh unto thee I am you'll have he and metallics which means it isn't there in the original in your King James but I am I am the I am that's who you're talking to you are actually talking to that Messiah you are talking to the one there who stood before Moses who led Moses who put his hand upon Moses Moses on one hand he threw the rod down but Jesus changed it into a serpent Moses stretched the rod out over the Red Sea Jesus

opened it Moses you know Paul you know put the rod out but God closed it upon Pharaoh Moses smote the rock with his rod but first Corinthians 5 says that rock from which they drank was Christ Jesus was the water of life he was the bread of life the manna in a sense there of all of these things that Moses he just merely walked around and did what he was told as the owner of the house is here hit the rock water comes out he just go what how you know I imagine everybody thinks Moses is this unbelievable man which he was no man but all he was was a steward he didn't do anything didn't do any of it at all God did it all no wonder to me the Bible says that Moses was the meekest man on the face of the earth now at a simple read you might think it would be the opposite he would be the most proud

man he would be the most arrogant man he would be the guy that you know but instead the Bible tells us as a matter of fact he wasn't proud he was the meekest he was the humblest man you ever saw and you would think why would that be well could you imagine going to Moses and who knew he didn't do any of this he throws a rod down he fled before like everybody else he stretched the rod out God says stretch it out and he stretched it out and it opens he takes a rod goes over smokes the rock is it hit the rock is most water comes out and if you interview Moses say Moses you are really something how do you do that stuff he'd say I'm the slightest I am at the faintest God just tells me to do it and I do it and water comes out manna comes from heaven quail comes out of the sky the earth opens

sucks people in I go up and there's a battle I lift the rod high Israel wins the battle I don't do any of it I just do what I'm told and I look down there how'd the enemy get destroyed where'd this water come from I didn't know there's rock there water in that rock never knew it till he told me to do it you see here what the writer of Hebrews is telling us there is Moses as phenomenal as he was it was actually Jesus who did it all he was the builder of the house you know we're told and here is something where at John 8:35 it says there a servant abideth not in the house forever but the son abides forever here is something the servant he had a place he had a reason there and Moses was a great servant for a time but Jesus is forever Moses was faithful we're in Exodus 40 alone it tells us

about Moses eight times he was faithful in chapters 35 through 40 he's told 22 times that Moses was obedient but you may wonder why in a sense was he obedient it was simply to be a testimony that which was to come Hebrews 10:1 that we'll get to later as you know not today but the law having a shadow of good things to come and not the very image of the things can never with those sacrifices which they offered up year by year continually make the comers there unto perfect all the things that happened in the law and all the sacrifices offered and offered and offer they never really did anything they merely foreshadowed the one who would come offer himself these foreshadowed this but without Christ these meant nothing they're all fulfilled in Christ that's why Jesus in John 5:46 he says told

the Pharisees if you had believed in Moses you believed in me you believe in me for he wrote of me and here the interesting thing is that's why Jesus basically looked at the Jews and he says you know to accept Moses and to reject Christ is to reject Moses too he didn't want either one there was something there that Jesus fulfilled all of these things and he loved doing it we're told even after his resurrection you may recall as he's walking along the road to Emmaus and he's and he's hidden his identity and he sees these people walking along and he says why are you so sad you know what's going on and they turn to him and he says why are you so sad where have you been don't you know what has gone on and they tell the whole story how Christ when they took him to the cross and crucified

him and he died but then he says well no wait a minute it wasn't supposed to happen this way and then it tells us there in Acts Luke 24:27 there Jesus speaking to them and beginning with Moses he gives them this hours of long Bible study as they walked on the road to Emmaus on how that Christ had to suffer all of these things to fulfill all of this from Moses on is this foreshadowing explaining to them why Jesus Christ had to go to the cross why he had to die why he had to be the sacrifice and why he would rise and there is the later on when they came to the realization of who it was did not our hearts burn within us as he spoke they found themselves realizing we understand now Peter in Acts 3 he says that Moses truly said unto the fathers of prophets shall the Lord your God raise up unto

you of your brethren like unto me him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you he told me here Peter told the children of Israel if you believe Moses you better listen because Moses spoke of a greater prophet that would come and this is who it is you see Moses brought them into a physical tabernacle Jesus brings us into a spiritual one and now the tabernacle is no longer something out there but as the Bible teaches it's our body that your body the Bible says is the tabernacle of the Holy Spirit of God that's where God wants worship to happen this is where the sacrifices are being maintained spiritually and within our own heart within our own life not just a day a week but every day of the week and thus he tells us here just a back to you know verse 1 again but he says

wherefore holy brethren partakers of the heavenly calling consider the apostle and high priest of our profession Christ Jesus and as I said earlier if you today you're Christian you're holy you're holy brethren

you are partakers of this calling and amazingly I mean everything Moses ever dreamed of doing for the children of Israel everything he ever had in his heart every longing he ever had in his heart for the children of Israel in this shadow foreshadowing of something to come Jesus Christ has for you today spiritually everything I mean taking us out of the wilderness bringing us into the promised land bringing us in before God into the holy of holies the Bible tells us wherefore about Christ that with boldness that we can enter into his throne of grace to receive help and mercy in time

of need right now Jesus Christ has opened up heaven the veil has been rent within heaven and God now looks at you and I through Christ he says you can come boldly before me I love you I forgive you all of your sins you can come into a land of rest you can come into a land of power you can come into a land of victory everything Moses dreamed of it never achieved I can in you I can give you water not just like the Moses gave but Jesus is to the woman at the well he said whosoever drinks of this water will thirst again but whosoever drink the water I give will never thirst it will be as a well and you springing up on everlasting life Jesus looked he says you like the water that Moses came out of a rock you think that's impressive how would you like something within your heart that just

overflows that just gushes forth when the Pharisees came to Jesus in John 6 trying to figure out who he was and arguing all now they're beginning to dog him wherever he's going put pressure on him who are you who are you Jesus said I'm the bread of life everybody wants to know who I am I'll tell you straight I'm the bread of life and he says this is not that bread that your father's in the wilderness whosoever liveth and eateth the debris of me will never die he looked at there and he tells them in a sense there he says they got physical sustenance I'll give spiritual and you'll never die they ate that in the wilderness it only temporarily it was a shadow I'll give you water you'll never thirst I'll give you bread they don't never run out of and the wonderful thing here Jesus everything

Moses did Jesus did most Jesus destroyed the enemy on the cross the accuser of the brethren can't accuse you in heaven at all Jesus ever lives to make intercession for you and me right now he provides the man of the water the bread of life he gives this quail he provides a wonderful blessings how many things do you have all around your life that were just quail that just came in you know out of nowhere that God just has blessed you with time and time and time again in your life you realize God this is all of you your love and your goodness he's the sacrifice and he looks at you and he says you are a partaker partakers of the heavenly calling and you know today that's fixed if you're here today and you've been a Christian for 20 minutes or you've been a Christian for 50 years if you're

here today and you're a Christian and you're a backslid you're away from God and you haven't really been looking and trusting him as you know you ought to or you've been here and you're a saint you've walked with God for 60 years you're both equal partners of a heavenly calling partakers in God's eyes it's the only difference is is that one of them is not enjoying resting in the sufficiency of what Christ has done in the other one is one is just sitting there one of you you today your heart may be filled with peace and joy and love and you have just found the access into heaven you know how to pray you know how to open the word you know where the bread comes from you know how his spirit can refresh your soul day by day you're letting him do it that's all a mature Christian is he isn't any

different Moses he's just somebody just okay God what do you want me to do I'll do it seek me while I can be found okay I'm gonna seek you let me fill you with my spirit okay fill me with your spirit I want you to live obediently I want you to go love your wife as Christ of the church oh I can't do that of course you can't no more than Moses could open the Red Sea but I can do it just like I did it for Moses I can do all this submit

your husband have you seen that idiot every day yes very well you know I can't submit to him I know I can't I submitted to the cross be obedient to me just let me be in you and the only difference between somebody that takes their own home and marriage and family and children into their own hands and controls it and drives it in the ground and the one who just

has God's love and hope and strength and blessing the only difference between the two is one is merely just said okay Jesus fill me feed me strengthen me empower me I can't do it can't do it at all the Old Testament Aaron the high priest of course initially followed by many others but for some 1500 years between you know Moses and Jesus every year the high priest they take a couple of goats and every year the children of Israel would gather throughout all of the wilderness and the you know when they were in the wilderness and then when they're in the land they'd all gather together and there they would wait for the high priest is that they would take one goat and they would kill the goat and then they would take the blood of that goat and the high priest all the children is where they

gather outside the tabernacle waiting is the high priest he went and he took the blood of the goat and he sprinkled it around and they would all wait for him to reappear and then as he would reappear he'd come out and over the other goat instead of killing it as they killed the first one and took his blood and shed in there over the other goat he would confess the sins and iniquities of the children of Israel that the entire group had been guilty of in the last year and then the goat was let out into a wilderness place where it was to head off never to be seen again and known of and followed called the scapegoat it was one there the great escape from their sins here on one hand something died and then as it was the sins of the one that you know paid for there in his bloodshed within the

holy place now is a visual picture of now the goat sent off taking away everyone's guilt and then as the people would see it taken off and disappear Oh forgiven again how I needed mine and how it ought to be that you and I if we understand we're looking at Christ we realize who he is what he's done to be able to gather and say Lord today my high priest now the veil has been rent and I can go right on in where the blood has been shed and the sins has been carried away for me and just as the children of Israel could just breathe and they had the promise in the words of God as the high priest blessed now go live before him follow him seek him see you back here soon because we're gonna need it again very soon every one of us there was no year that it was that some of them didn't have to go

there was no year that a bunch of you say hey I don't need to go to that thing I've been perfect this last year I don't think so every one of us but the wonderful thing today is to be able to come and say Jesus I'm clean because you are my faithful high priest bring me into rest bring me into the land maybe today some of you just need to say Lord your strength I'm trying to live the Christian life can't do it I'm trying to love I'm trying to be kind I'm trying to be obedient I can't do it I think Moses would stand right next to say I know what you mean I know exactly how you feel you imagine what it's like being told go out there before all the people stretch out your rod you got there what I can look like an idiot yep many times over but by faith when you and I okay Lord I'm just gonna

start the steps of obedience I'll be the tabernacle of your spirit you be the power be faithful now in me in my life dear father how we thank you for your love and we thank you for your word and Lord I thank you that maybe many of us today we would just absolutely be unbelievably thrilled if Moses came to us and said here I can help you in your business I can help you with your home I can do this I can do that and if such power was again given he could do many wonderful things but he couldn't do anything like you for you come and say I will live inside of you I will make you the very tent that the glory of God will come upon

you won't merely look at another physical tabernacle and watch my glory you can experience it within your own heart you don't simply have to look around and wonder

where I am I'll be a pillar of fire by night to warm you I'll be the cloud by day to cover you and protect you from the noon to heat I'll be the bread I'll be the water I'll sustain you Lord today may we realize that you look at us and that is what you want we are to be partakers in this calling Lord today may we enter in we ask it in Jesus your wonderful name amen

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