

## **Choices of True Faith**

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**Hebrews 11:24-26**, *“By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward.”*

**Moses chose to suffer in at least three ways:**

**1. Moses chose to suffer rejection and misunderstanding from his adoptive family.**

**Acts 7:22**, *“Moses was educated in all the learning of the Egyptians, and he was a man of power in words and deeds.”*

**2. Moses chose to suffer by voluntarily forfeiting worldly prosperity, prominence and pleasures.**

**3. Moses chose to suffer by accepting the world’s disapproval and verbal abuse.**

**Matthew 13:45-46**, *“The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls, and upon finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.”*

**Moses received at least three blessings for his choices:**

**1. Moses received the blessing of God’s people.**

**2. Moses gained the blessing of the greater riches of Christ.**

**3. Moses gained the blessing of the eternal reward in heaven.**

**Consider:** to engage in an intellectual process, to think, to consider, to regard.

**1 John 2:15**, *“Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.”*

**Romans 8:18**, *“I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.”*

**Philippians 2:12-13**, *“So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.”*

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