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Jesus, the Apostle of our Profession

Hebrews 3:2-6a

'Study to show thyself approved unto God...' – 2 Timothy 2:15

The importance of reading and learning God's word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we will begin to appreciate how Jesus is the Apostle of our Profession and how He is compared to Moses.

<u>Old Covenant</u> – An interconnected system of covenantal arrangements that God utilized for the purpose of pointing His people toward the promised Messiah (Gen.3:15) and the New & Better Covenantal arrangement which this Messiah would establish by the sacrifice of His own life. (Jer.31:31-34).

HOW THEN ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER THIS TEXT?

Two Main Headings: (1) Two Faithful Apostles (2) One Glorious Apostle

I. TWO FAITHFUL APOSTLES

Apostle ($\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{0}\sigma\tau\dot{0}\lambda\dot{0}\zeta$ apóstolos) simply means: a delegate, messenger, one sent forth with orders.

(A) Moses as an Apostle

Ex. 3:10, 13-14 (10) "Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt....(13) And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? (14) And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Ex. 7:16 "And thou shalt say unto him (Pharaoh), The LORD God of the Hebrews hath **sent** me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

(B) Moses was Faithful

Numbers 12:7 "My servant Moses...is faithful in all mine house."

(C) Jesus our Apostle

His nature: The Athanasian Creed: "He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time; and he is human from the essence of his mother, born in time; completely God, completely human, with a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father as regards divinity, less than the Father as regards humanity. Although he is God and human, yet Christ is not two, but one. He is one, however, not by his divinity being turned into flesh, but by God's taking humanity to himself.

<u>Luke 22:42</u> "...Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done."

II. ONE GLORIOUS APOSTLE

House - οἶκος οîkos, oy'-kos.

<u>Heb.8:8,10</u> "For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the **house** of Israel and with the **house** of Judah: v.10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the **house** of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:"

<u>10:21-22</u> "...having an high priest over the **house** of God; 22Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water."

<u>1 Tim.3:15</u> "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the **house** of God, <u>which is</u> the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

Okay? But what does all this house building talk have to do with Jesus' eternal existence and His temporal incarnation relating to the assertion of why He deserves more glory as an Apostle than the venerable Moses?

The key lies in v.4 "For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God."
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