**Sermon Notes for August 23, 2020**

**Westview Baptist Church**

**Moses**

*By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict.*

*By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.*

*By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.*

*By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.*

*By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. (Hebrews 11:23–29 ESV)*

**How do we have faith when we lose hope in the future?**

**The Stockdale Paradox: Confront the brutal facts without losing hope in the future**

*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (Hebrews 11:1 ESV)*

**Moses Parents**

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**Moses**

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 **1. He refused**

*By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter,*

 **2. He chose**

*choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.*

**3. He considered**

*He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.*

*But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ. (Philippians 3:7–8 ESV)*

**He Left Egypt**

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**He Kept Passover**

*By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. (Hebrews 11:23–29 ESV)*

*The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29 ESV)*

*“If you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”*

*And Jesus said to him, “‘If you can’! All things are possible for one who believes.”*

*Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” (Mark 9:22–24 ESV)*

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**The People of Israel**

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