Icebreaker: When you are trying to get somewhere you have never been, how do you figure out how to get there? (map, directions on phone or computer, directions from someone who knows)

If you are trying to cook something new, how can you know what steps need to be done? (instructions on box, follow recipe, someone teach you).

If you want to know who God is and how to follow Him, where do you look? (Bible, pray, listen to those who follow God and you can trust)

Basically, we follow directions of someone who has experience or knowledge of where to go or what to do.

In the early days of our history, there was no Bible to help people know about God. People had to rely on prophets to share about God's character. What is a prophet? (prophet- someone who has a relationship with God and God gives them messages and directions to give to the rest of the people)

#TargetPractice: Which prophet is Jesus compared to? Why?

What are some similarities between Moses and Jesus? (possible answers from message)

- From family of Israel (Jewish)
- Came to help/rescue God's people after 400 years of God's silence
- Fasted 40 days
- Born when an evil king ordered all boys (babies or under 2) be killed. Moses and Jesus miraculously were saved
- Chose 12 spies/12 disciples, 70 rulers/70 disciples to spread gospel
- Moses led people out of physical slavery into wilderness (wandering and hardship while waiting for Promised Land) —--Jesus redeemed us but we are still in difficult circumstances while waiting for the promised life to come

Big difference between Moses and Jesus

- Moses heard from God and passed it to the people (he was a middle man) kinda like if your parents send a message to you through someone else
- Jesus was God in the flesh. He didn't need a middleman messenger. The messages came directly from Him (God) because Jesus and God are one. Kinda like your parents come talk to you directly

The Israelites greatly respected Moses. The laws they followed for God came from Moses' time with God. When they heard and saw the similarities with Jesus, they recognized who Jesus was and wanted to listen to Him. Or at least some did.