

## **By Faith, Moses Persevered Exodus 5**

**Intro:** Winston Churchill and Moses have something in common. They led in difficult days through perseverance. Moses persevered through:

### **I. A Failed \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:1-5**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:1
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:1, 5:3
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:2, 4-5

Pharaoh's heart was hardened because of his heart response to God. Now things will get worse before getting better for the Israelites.

### **II. A Fierce \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:6-21**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:2, 8, 9, 17
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:6-9
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:10-19
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ – 5:20-21

“The best framework for the Lord to do His most ideal work is when things are “impossible,” and we feel totally incapable to handle it.”

### **III. A Faithful \_\_\_\_\_ – 6:1-2, 10-13**

- A. My \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Changed – “I AM the LORD.”
- B. My \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Changed – “I will...”
- C. Your \_\_\_\_\_ Has Not Changed – 6:11-13

**Conclusion:** By faith, Moses persevered; and God showed Himself faithful to do just as He promised.

Learn from Moses. Persevere in what God has called you to do, in the place and the time He has assigned for you (2 Thessalonians 3:13; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Hebrews 12:1)

Remember, when you feel you are at your absolute end, you have hit rock bottom, with no light at the end of the tunnel, when you by faith persevere by fixing your eyes on Jesus, God proves himself faithful.

### **Small Group Questions**

1. What does the saying “the best laid plans of mice and men mean?” In what ways is this seen in Moses’ life?
2. The theme of this chapter is Moses’ need to persevere in difficult days. What does it mean to persevere?
3. Did God call Moses to fail in going to Egypt? Discuss all that took place in Chapter 5 that could be viewed as failure.
4. Discuss how Pharaoh’s hard heart is evident in Exodus 5:6-19.
5. Read Exodus 5:2—23, What does Moses do when being misunderstood and blamed for Pharaoh’s treatment of the Israelites? How does this apply to our lives today?
6. Read Exodus 6:2, 6-8. How does God respond to reassure Moses? What does this say about the importance of listening to God’s Word?
7. Read 2 Thessalonians 3:13; 1 Corinthians 15:58; and Hebrews 12:1. What counsel is found in these verses concerning our persevering?
8. How is God calling you to think differently?
9. What is God calling you to do as you go about your daily life?