

MOSES LAST MESSAGE TO THE ISRAELITES BEFORE THE LORD
TOOK HIM.
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INTRODUCTION:

Moses was a great servant of the Lord and did a great work in leading the children of Israel from the bondage of Egypt. He led them through the Red Sea as by dry land; He led them through that vast wilderness land and enduring many hardships; He led them on to the land of Moab, just overlooking the promised land. But he wasn't permitted to go with them across the Jordan into the land. And the Lord tells him why: "Because you trespassed against me among the children at the Water of Meribah in the wilderness of Zin." Deuteronomy 32:51 However the Lord did permit him to see the land, Deut. 32:49

Even though Moses couldn't go with his people into the land, the Lord gave him a great message for the people to observe when they got into the land. In message he said: "Gather the people together, men, women and children; and the stranger within their gates:

I THAT THEY MAY HEAR

God Almighty wants attention, and He can't do much for us if He can't get attention. When God speaks He has something to say, and He wants a hearing. Notice in Isaiah chapter 55 in verse one, Ho, everyone that thirsteth verse two, Hearken diligently unto me; Verse three, Incline your ear and come unto me, Hear, and your soul shall live. In each of these verses He is calling for attention.

II LEARN

By hearing we learn. Even faith come by hearing, we should know that. And we can learn as we go along. Of course we ^{MUST} be careful whom we learn from. Here is what Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and lowly in heart" This is just one of His great attributes that we need to learn. A disciple of His is a learner, We are in the process of learning. Let us learn.

III FEAR THE LORD

God Almighty is to be feared. He is not only God of love, mercy and compassion, He is a God of Judgement and will take vengeance on sin. So we had better fear God. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." According to this verse a person who doesn't fear the Lord is not wise. Then he must be foolish. "Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgement, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil." Ecclesiastes 12:13,14

Notice this, "By faith, Noah being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with Fear prepared an ark to the saving of his house." Hebrews 11:7 Noah believed that God would do what He said He would do. That He would destroy man and all living things from off the earth. So in light of judgement he prepared an ark to the saving of his house. Noah moved with fear

IV TO DO

If we don't put into practice what we hear and learn it will slip from us. like putting water into a leaking vessel it will leak out. "Therefore we ought to give the most earnest heed to the things which we have heard lest at anytime we should let them slip." Hebrews 2:1

"But be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." James 1:22

James compares a man who is a hearer of the Word and not a doer to a man who looks into a mirror, sees his reflection in the glass and turns away and the reflection is gone. James 1:23,24