



Spring Quarter 2021 Theme:
Prophets Faithful to God's Covenant
Unit I: Faithful Prophets

Lesson Titles:
Following True Leaders
(Faith Pathway Bible Studies)
Moses: Prophet of Deliverance
(Townsend Press Sunday School Commentary)

LESSON 1—March 7, 2021

Devotional Reading:
Psalm 77:11-20

Background Scriptures:
Exodus 12:28-50; Deuteronomy 18:15-22

Print Passages:
Deuteronomy 18:15-22

Key Verse(s):

The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken.
(Deuteronomy 18:15, KJV)

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The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him.
(Deuteronomy 18:15, NIV)

► Questions to Consider:

1. What was Moses' final message to the children of Israel as they prepared to possess the Promised Land?
2. What are the guidelines for determining a true prophet of God?

► Lesson Context:

- Moses had led the people to a point where they could **see** the Promised Land.
- In his final days of leading the nation, Moses delivered a series of messages to the people of Israel regarding how they were to enter the Promised Land and how they were to **live** when they arrived and had conquered and settled the land.
- Moses repeatedly reminded the people of their responsibility to remain steadfastly committed to their **covenant** relationship with God.

► Lesson Aims:

As a result of experiencing this lesson, the participants should be able to do these things:

- Study Moses' role as a prophet of God in leading the Israelites out of Egypt.
- Reflect on leaders who guide us through seemingly impossible situations.
- Completely rely on God in resolving challenging situations.

► **Lesson Outlines/Key Points:**

I. **The request for the Lord's Prophet: (Deuteronomy 18:15-19)**

Key Point 1: God promised to raise up an Israelite, not a foreigner, to be His prophet.

Key Point 2: Rather than hearing the voice of God directly, the people wanted God to appoint a spokesman to represent Him and speak His Word to them.

II. **The test of the Lord's Prophet (Deuteronomy 18:20-22)**

Key Point 1: Any message that is contrary to the revealed and written Word of God is to be rejected – the message is not from God.

Key Point 2: God demanded that the people obey His prophet without question.

► **Lesson Summary:**

- Israel "prayed" for a legitimate prophet to speak God's Word to them. Likewise, today's church should pray for God to send, equip, and inspire pastors and teachers who will rightly divide His Word.
- The church must continue to teach the necessity of knowing, obeying, and relying on God's Word as the only true source for living right and pleasing God in a morally corrupt world.

What Do You Think? (These questions are found in this week's Faith Pathway student book.)

1. Name some ways that Christians position themselves to obey those whom God sends to deliver His Word.

2. Why must there be a balance between inspiration and information in the presentation of God's Word?

As a result of this lesson, I will do the following:
