## FAMILY FAITH IS CATCHING

## Hebrews 11:23-28

#### (Brief outline, add own comments)

Introduction: Discuss the reasons around the action of Moses' parents for putting him, as a baby, in a basket and then into the water.

# I. THE PARENTS OF MOSES EXHIBITED FAITH (v23)

- 1. Discuss the situation which prompted the parent's of Moses action.
  - Edict went out to kill all boy babies.
  - They chose to hide baby Moses in a basket in the river hoping that the Princes would find him.
- 2. Discuss that through "FAITH" (being persuaded) that one sees ahead.
  - Only through faith are some things ever grasped.
  - Only through faith can some things ever be appreciated and understood.
- 3. Discuss that "FAITH" is more than a doctrine, it is a way of life, it is positive action on a person's part.
- 4. Discuss FAITH in action by the parents of Moses.

# II. MOSES CHOSE GOD'S PEOPLE (vv24-26)

- 1. Discuss "choosing," to esteem, to count the cost, to evaluate both sides, to weigh the differences.
- 2. Discuss what Moses could have had if he chose Egypt. - pleasures, riches, honor, a future, education, etc.
- 3. Discuss what Moses would have if he chose God.
  - reproach, slavery, cruelty, degradation.
- 4. Discuss the fact that none will follow God until he/she chooses to do so.
  - Nobody "drifts" to God.
  - One chooses to be a Christian, a choice based on counting the cost.
- 5. Discuss the pleasures of sin and only a fool or a liar says "There's no pleasure in sin.." and the world offers so much.
- 6. Discuss Solomon's experience with sin as he found the benefits were not lasting.
- 7. Discuss how FAITH enables one to see beyond the offers of the world compared to the things of God.

# III. MOSES CHOSE TO LEAVE EGYPT (v27)

- 1. Discuss his life in the wilderness which turned out to be years of preparation by God.
- 2. Discuss his step of faith as he couldn't see to the end, but was willing to take the step. God knew what was to happen, and He prepared Moses.

# IV. MOSES' CHOICE IN THE PASSOVER (v28)

- 1. Discuss the details given by God in preparation for the passover.
  - All had to be done BEFORE the event actually took place, it was FAITH in action.
- 2. Discuss the Passover being a step in faith.
  - It was actually celebrated before it happened.
  - The people were packed and ready to go.

## **CONCLUSION:**

- 1. Moses trusted God and left all the world had to offer, stepping out, acting on faith.
- 2. All of us can have Moses' kind of faith.
  - It's already within us (as a grain of mustard seed).
  - Let us become persuaded about God.
- 3. Some day in the face of insurmountable odds, we can say, "I believe God will see me through.."
- 4. Faith enables one to see God
  - enables one to see into the future.
  - enables one to endure and last.
  - enables one to see the weakness of the world.
  - enables one to step out.
- 5. How persuaded are YOU about God?
  - About salvation?
  - About heaven?
  - About your future?
  - About the world?
  - About sin?
- 6. Are YOU persuaded enough about God to step out?