



MESSAGE NOTES

Identifying Yourself with God's Family

Hebrews 11:24-26

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1. Telling others

Hebrews 11:24-25 *By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.*

Moses had a choice, to be known as a Jewish slave or as a member of the Egyptian royal family. He chose to be identified with the people of God. We too have a choice whether or not to be known as a member of God's family. Baptism is one of the main ways we identify ourselves with the people of God.

2. Worth it all

Hebrews 11:26 *He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.*

When we openly identify ourselves with Jesus it often results in some sort of mocking or mistreatment. But what we gain is worth so much more. Our eternal reward in heaven is much more precious than anything in this life. There's no sacrifice when what you gain is worth more than what you are losing.

3. Don't give up meeting together

Hebrews 10:24-25 *Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*

We need the support and encouragement of each other more than ever. We gather together to be blessed and to be a blessing to other people. The church family support network is essential to our spiritual health. When we gather together in Jesus' name, He is right there with us.