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Intro. —→ (Aim: To teach thru Moses' life the gtness. Of humbly forgetting oneself.)

- A. Illus. On forgetfulness (3 men chosen for lunar experiment).
1. We forget many imp. things (name, key, the time), but we rarely forget ourselves.
 2. 1982 Air Florida jet crashed into icy waters of Potomac River, 1 man forget himself 3 x's, passing rescue rope to other passengers. He succumbed to hypothermia, but = hailed a hero across the U.S.
- B. Moses was that same kind of man.
1. Thru scriptures, you can watch this hero *pass the rope* to another as he forgot himself in Lord's service.
 2. As we study, let's begin by remembering this: ***In his own right, Moses = a very unforgettable person***

Discuss.

I. "MOSES" IS INDELLIBLY IMPRINTED ON OUR MINDS AS BIBLE STUDENTS.

- A. Think about his prominence in O.T. *For the law was given thru Moses,* **Jn. 1:17**
1. **Deut. 34:10** – *But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses*
 2. In a sweep of Hebrew history, there's no one like Moses:
 - a. **Heb. 11:24f** *By faith* he forsook gleaming pyramids for the rugged Sinai Mts., traded royal robes for shepherd's garb —→ because of his supreme convictions.
 - b. Moses was God's chosen leader to deliver Israelites from 430 yrs. of slavery. (**Ex. 12:40**)
 - c. As the hub of Israel w/ all the nations circling @ him, hear the instructions re: passover, **Ex.12:21f**
 3. In the tanned shepherd's face they saw strength, understanding, compassion & a glow of 1 who had been with God, **Ex. 34.**
- B. Some 80x's Moses' name appears in the N. T.
1. he = the only O. T. character to whom Christ expressly compares himself, **Ac. 3:22f**
 2. Moses is truly unforgettable, yet

II. MOSES: THE MAN WHO FORGOT HIMSELF.

- A. Man of humility.
1. As w/ many of us, gter. Humility came to him w/ gter. Age.
 - a. at age 40, he was ready to deliver Israel (c. **Ac. 7:24f**)
 - b. cf. **Ex. 4** (at age 80 he was reluctant to take the job as deliver)
 2. **Num. 12:3** ...*very humble, above all the men that were on the face of the earth.*
 3. This \gg some politician who speaks high platitudes re: humble beginnings & then exits in limosine. (cf. **Ex. 5:4** -- Moses did make his share of bricks in his younger days.)
- B. A man without personal ambition. (Rhea)
1. **Ex. 32:9f** – For their idolatry at Sinai, God said, *Leave me alone...make of you a gt. nation.* (U.S. of \
 2. Moses response, **#2:11-13a** -- he forgot himself, & *stood in the breach to turn away God's wrath,* **Ps.10**
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