Four Mistakes Of Moses

Heb. 3:1-5

I. What Moses Did Right: Sought God's Guidance – Num. 20:6

- •How to deal with the problem of no water
- •At first we see humility. (Prov. 14:12; Jer. 10:23)
- Lesson: In all aspects of life, we must look to God for guidance. (I Tim. 4:8; II Tim. 3:16-17; II Pet. 1:3; Ps. 119:105)

II. God Revealed His Will – Num. 20:7-8

- •Take the rod, gather the people, speak to the rock before their eyes
- Moses was not left to his own devices
- •God has revealed his will to us today: Terms of salvation; Acceptable worship; Work of the church; Organization of the church...

Terms of Salvation

- •Hear the gospel Rom. 10:17; Acts 18:8
- •Believe the message Mark 16:15-16
- •Repent of sins Lk. 13:3
- Confess faith in Jesus as the Son of God Acts 8:37
- •Be baptized in water for the remission of sins Acts 2:38

Acceptable Worship. Jn. 4:24

- —Teaching/preaching. (Acts 20:7)
- —Partake of the Lord's Supper. (Acts 20:7; I Cor. 11)
- —Give. (I Cor. 16:1-2)
- —Sing. (Eph. 5:19)
- —Pray. (Acts 2:42)

Work of the Church

• Eph. 4:11-12 → 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Organization of Local Churches

- *Phil. 1:1* → 1 Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:
- •Acts 14:23 → 23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.
- I Pet. 5:2 → 2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

III. Four Mistakes of Moses...

- $\#1 \rightarrow Partial obedience. (Num. 20:9-11)$
- #2 → Substitution for what God commanded. (Num. 20:10-11)
- #3 \rightarrow Using the end to justify the means. (Num. 20:11)
- $\#4 \rightarrow \text{Not considering the consequence of a single sin. (Num. 20:12)}$