

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 31:1-15

Moses - An Excellent leader Chosen by God

God called Moses and said that his time was over and he was to appoint Joshua as the next leader. Moses instantly called the people of Israel and said, "My time is over. As God said, I will not enter the Promised Land. God has appointed Joshua to be your next leader. Be not afraid of the people who are now presently dwelling in the Promised Land. The Lord God will be with you and give you victory. Be careful to keep all that the Lord God has commanded". He called Joshua and said to him, "Be strong and of a good courage, for you are the one chosen of God to lead His people into the Promised Land. For the Lord God will go before you. He will never leave you nor fail you". Having said these words, he took Joshua with him into the tabernacle in order to speak to God.

Question:

What virtue of Moses is revealed here?

Answer:

Moses who was grazing sheep in the land of the Midianites was called by God for His work. When he refused to accept the call, God said that he is the one who should lead His people out of Egypt into the Promised Land that flowed with milk and honey. God brought Moses into Egypt. Moses obeyed God in all that He said concerning Pharaoh, the Israelites, in the wilderness, against the Amalekites, Moabites and in many such problems. But here we can see the attitude of Moses when God punished Him by not allowing to enter the Promised Land because of a single disobedience concerning the water from the rock. This shows the love that Moses had on God. When we realize that even the punishment of God is for our blessing, we too can become a good leader like Moses.

"Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart." Psalms 73:1

Prayer

Father, You promised that You will never leave us nor forsake us. Be with us just as You were with Joshua.
Amen