## **Moses and the Prophets**

Numbers 11:29-And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would God that all the LORD'S people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit upon them! (KI

Moses and the Holy Prophets offer God-filled wisdom for every century. Believers following the path to God's Kingdom heed Moses and the Prophets. The Divine services of God's Holy Church reference Moses and the Prophets. The Church's teachings are rich with references to Moses and the Prophets. Learning from Moses and the Prophets benefits the heart, mind and soul. Behavior changes when heeding admonitions from Moses and the Prophets. Luke 16:31-And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead. (KJV) The Gospel of St. Luke places great value on lessons from Moses and the Prophets. Believers do well to think carefully about the reference in St. Luke's Gospel. Being attentive to Moses and the Prophets is an investment in God's Kingdom. Investing in God's Kingdom involves making wise decisions about life's efforts. The time of life comes only once and is not reclaimed, repeated or extended. Life's decisions have lasting consequences that extend beyond earthly death. John 1:45-Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. (KJV)

Prayer is required when believers seek wisdom from Moses and the Holy Prophets. Great attentiveness is necessary to study the life of Moses and prophetic messages. The believer's seriousness, motivation and objectives affect the effort put forth. Learning from Moses and the Prophets gives new understanding of Jesus Christ. Looking back in time at Moses and the Prophets gives the believer perspective. Continued effort in studying Moses and the Prophets results in new understanding.

Acts 28:23-And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening. (KJV)

The Lord's goodness and mercy are needed for believers to continue to learn. The Lord's gifts of the mind and heart and senses enable learning for the soul. The believer cannot see, hear or understand without the Lord God's action. Moses and the Holy Prophets lived centuries ago and continue to be relevant. Wise believers learn the relevancy of Moses and the Prophets for today's world. Applying lessons from Moses and the Prophets results in a rich life in the Lord.

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