

The New Testaments describes Christ as the firstborn several times.

- 1. In an earthly sense Jesus is Mary's firstborn son:

 Luke 2:7, "and she gave birth to her firstborn son; and wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."
- 2. Spiritually, Jesus is the firstborn among many brethren and sisters in the body of Christ.
 - Romans 8:29, "For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren."
- 3. Paul writes of our savior,

 Colossians 1:13-15, "For He rescued us from the domain of darkness,
 and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have
 redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God,
 the Firstborn of all creations."

The similarities between Moses and Christ:

- 1. Both were preserved from the perils of infancy, Ex. 2:2-10, Matt. 2:14-15
- 2. Both left comfortable homes, Heb. 11:24-26, Phil 2:6-7
- 3. Both knew what it was to fast for forty days, Ex.34:28, Matt.4:2
- 4. Both had power to control the sea, Ex. 14:21, Matt. 8:26
- 5. Both fed the multitude, Ex. 16:26, Matt. 14:20-21
- 6. Both had a radiant face, Ex. 34:35, Matt. 17:2
- 7. Both endured murmurings, Ex. 15:24, Mark 7:2
- 8. Both were discredited at home, Num. 12:1, John 7:5
- 9. Both were mighty intercessors, Ex 32:32, John 17

- 10. Both spoke as the oracles of God, Duet 18:18, John 7:46
- 11. Both had seventy helpers, Num. 11:16-17, Luke 10:1
- 12. Both established memorials, Ex. 12:14, Luke 22:19
- 13. Both reappeared after death, Matt 17:3, Acts 1:3
- 14. Both were sent to emancipate their people, Ex. 3:10, John 3:17

Moses was a friend of God

- Exodus 33:11, "Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend."
- The phrase, "and the LORD spoke to Moses", is used 65 times in Exodus.
- Moses spent 40 days with God on Mount Siani Ex. 34:28
- Dale Carnegie wrote in one of his books, 'How to Win Friends and Influence People', 'You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people, than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you"

God's rejection of the first born:

- God chose Abel, and then Seth, but not Cain, He chose Shem, not Japheth; Isaac, not Ishmael; and Jacob, not Esau.
- Warren Weirsbe says, "these choices not only magnify God's sovereign grace, but they are a symbolic way of saying that our first birth is not accepted by God. We must experience a second birth, a spiritual birth, before God can accept us."
 - John 1:12-13 says: "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become Children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born nor of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."
- Our first birth we inherited from Adam, but our second birth is through faith in Jesus Christ.