

### 1. Moses – Type of Messiah:

- Redeemer (deliverer) of Israel
- Rejected by his own people (Exodus 2:14; Acts 7:35)
- Covenant Mediator
- God makes Moses "Judge and Ruler" (Exodus 2:14; Acts 7:35)
  
- Jesus is the Archetype of a Messiah - he encapsulates the characteristics of "type Messiah" from the Old Testament (Joseph, Moses, David).

### 2. Moses – Intolerance to Injustice

- Exodus shows us three examples of Moses' reaction to injustice in a row. This highlights his character and his qualifications to lead the struggle for liberation.
  
- **Exodus 2: 11-12** – Moses steps in when a Hebrew slave is being beaten
- **Exodus 2:13** – Moses intervenes between two Hebrew brothers in a fight;
- **Exodus 16-17** – Moses intervenes between Jethro's daughters and shepherds.

### 3. Moses and Egyptian Taskmaster: Exodus 2:11-12

- "beating" – in a life-threatening manner. The word can also mean "to kill."
  - נָקָה (nākâ) smite, strike, hit, beat, slay, kill.<sup>1</sup>
  
- Moses reacts to a "life-threatening" assault. If it weren't life-threatening, his actions would be considered murder. But stopping "life-threatening" harm is different.
  
- Leviticus 19:16

“Do not **stand idly by** when your neighbor’s life is threatened. I am the LORD.” (NLT)

“you do not **stand against** the blood of your neighbor; I [am] YHWH..” (NLT)

- When you see injustice, take action.

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<sup>1</sup> Marvin R. Wilson, “1364 נָקָה,” ed. R. Laird Harris, Gleason L. Archer Jr., and Bruce K. Waltke, *Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament* (Chicago: Moody Press, 1999), 577.

#### 4. Moses and Jesus:

- Jesus' actions – and the Gospel writers – present him as the "second Moses" or the "final" or last redeemer of Israel.
- Like Moses, Jesus has no tolerance for injustice.
- Jesus perfectly encapsulates the Messianic characteristics from the Old Testament.
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  - His actions communicate that he is the Messiah every time they reflect one of the Old Testament heroes (not in words or explanation but in action)

Moses	Jesus
Paranoid Pharaoh gives the order to kill the Hebrew babies (Ex. 1:22)	Paranoid King Herod gives an order to kill male babies in Bethlehem (Matt. 2:16)
God tells Moses, "for all those that wanted to kill you are dead" (Ex. 4:19)	God tells Joseph, "those who are trying to take the child's life are dead" (Matt. 2:20)
Used by God to deliver Israel from the bondage of slavery	Used by God to deliver Israel from the bondage of sin.
Five books in the Torah	Matthew shows five distinct discourses
Moses teaches on a mountain	Jesus teaches on "the mountain" (Matt. 5:1)
Prophet without honor in his own country (Ex. 2:14)	Prophet without honor in his own country (Matt. 13:57)
God makes judge and ruler (Ex. 2:14/Acts 7:35)	God makes judge and ruler (Acts 7:35; 10:42)
Covenant mediator (Ex 24:8)	Covenant mediator (Matt. 26:28)
40 days and 40 nights with no food or water (Ex. 34:28)	40 days and 40 nights with no food or water (Matt. 4:2)