Lesson #6 Hebrews 3:3 October 22, 2014

\*Turn to the table of contents in your Bible and then hold it up to show the children.

Here is a list of all the books of the Bible—there are 66 of them! One of the books in the Bible is called "Hebrews." This is where we are going to find our main verse for today. (*Turn to Hebrews and then point to it and show the children*). Here it is—HEBREWS! Next, we need to find chapter three, verse three. (*Point to the chapter number and then the verse number.*)

Let me read this to you: "Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself." In this verse there are two names mentioned. Can you tell me the two names? Very good! The two names are Jesus and Moses. What does it say about them? Who is greater? (Give them time to answer.) Yes! You're right—Jesus! Do you know why? Let's look into the Bible to find out more about these two men.

The Bible says that Moses was born a fine child from a very good family. He was not an ordinary kid. The Bible also says that Jesus was born a fine child too, but he was born like no one else—His birth was a miracle and He was born an amazing child. Even an angel came to Jesus' mom to tell her about her son. The angel said: "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; His kingdom will never end." Luke 1:32-33. Wow! Looking at the two men at birth—Jesus IS worthy of greater honor that Moses, right?

What is it about their lives? What did they do? Could Moses have done more than Jesus? Let's take a look. The Bible tells of Moses' life, mostly in the book of Exodus. He did a bunch of things for God:

- He was used by God to free the Israelites from Egypt and he led them to a safe place.
- With God's help, he was able to do many miracles like turning a stick into a snake, water into blood, calling thousands of frogs, bugs and other gross things to cover over the land, and even parting the Red Sea for the people to cross to the other side.
- Moses was a great man of God, but he made some mistakes, too. He was just a
  person and people are not perfect. Still, even though he was not perfect, he was
  thought very highly of.

In Deuteronomy 34:10-12, it says, "Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face-to-face, who did all those miraculous signs and wonders the Lord sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel."

See? Moses was very special. How could Jesus be greater? Let's see what we find out in the Bible:

- Moses did lots of things for God, but everything Jesus did He did for God AND for us.
- Jesus performed many miracles like turning water into wine and feeding 5000 people with just a few bread loaves and fish. Jesus healed many sick people, even raising some from the dead, and in the end He did the miracle of all miracles. He took everyone's sin—your sin and my sin, the sin we've done and the sin we will do—and He paid the price for it. He carried the punishment of death for us all, and died a painful death on a cross.
- But that is not all—He rose from the dead! Three days later, Jesus came back to life and appeared in front of many people before He went back to Heaven. Moses saved the Israelites from Egypt, but Jesus saved all people from death.
- Moses made some mistakes, but Jesus did all this without making one mistake. He lived a perfect life—without sinning once. WOW!
- Jesus is God's own Son.

So, you see? Jesus is worthy of greater honor than Moses. Let's take a moment to thank Jesus and honor Him now.

"Dear Jesus, You are worthy of all honor. We agree that You are greater than anyone else. You are the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Help us to honor You above anyone or anything else. Thank You for all that You have done for us. We love you. Amen!

Bible Verse: "Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself." Hebrews 3:3 NIV

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Today the children learned these God facts:

- Moses is a great man of God
- Jesus is even greater than Moses

## Live It Out:

Our Bible lesson focused on one verse in Hebrews and taught us today that Jesus is found worthy of greater honor than Moses. Teach your child how to look up Hebrews 3:3 in your Bible. You can do this by following these steps:

- Show your child the table of contents in the front of your Bible.
- Let him/her know that the Bible is made up of 66 books.
- Point to Hebrews and then turn to that book (you may want to show that it is after Philemon and before James).
- Show your child that chapter numbers are big and verse numbers are small.
- Together find Hebrews 3:3 and have your child say out loud "Hebrews 3:3."

Finally, read the verse: "Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself." Hebrews 3:3

**Prayer:** Dear Jesus, You are greater than anyone else and worthy of all our worship. Thank you for the Bible. We love you. Amen.

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