

# AS HE RAISED UP MOSES

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## INTRODUCTION

(Acts 7:37)

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**TEXT:** *“This is that Moses who said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall God raise up unto you from among your brethren, like unto me.”*(Acts 7:37)

**THE SETTING:**

- A. The seventh chapter of Acts is familiar because of its content.
    - 1. Not a better summary of the O.T. to be found anywhere.
    - 2. Review some of the details.
  - B. Some other lessons to be learned.
    - 1. It teaches us much about God.
    - 2. How God dealt, and deals with man.
  - C. Also reveals how man responds to God.
    - 1. Through history.
    - 2. On that occasion (v. 51ff)
    - 3. We will focus on what God has done for us.
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## PROMISES OF GOD

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- A. To Abraham .....to give him a land.
    - 1. While Abram never received the land..
    - 2. It was the land in which they were living given to them by God at time of Joshua.
  - B. Stephen’s point was that when God made a promise, and that promise was fulfilled.
    - 1. A lot of things happened and many would have thought it would change God’s promise....but
    - 2. God used all of these to bring His promise to fulfillment.
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## THE PROMISED PROPHET

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- A. *“A prophet shall God raise up unto you from among your brethren like unto me”* (v. 37; from Deut. 18:15).
    - 1. Or “As God raised up me”.
    - 2. It was God who raised up Moses for the children of Israel.
  - B. GOD RAISED UP MOSES BECAUSE:
    - 1. Of their need
    - 2. And Their inability to do for themselves.
  - C. THEY REJECTED MOSES (v. 35).
    - 1. Their rejection did not nullify God’s promise, Plan and Deliverer.
    - 2. Without the one whom God raised up there was no deliverance.
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### **Christ-The Promised Prophet**

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#### **A. CHRIST IS THE FULFILMENT OF DEUT. 18:15.**

1. QUOTED in New Testament.
2. Acts 3:22 and again in Acts 7:37.

#### **B. He was the Messiah for whom the Jews looked.**

1. Now that he had come, they rejected Him even as their father rejected the prophets of old. (V. 52).
2. But the promise of God remained true.

#### **C. Since Christ was raised up by God like Moses...Let us consider:**

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### **How God Raised Up Moses**

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#### **A. WITH POWER:**

1. His first meeting with Pharaoh
2. The "Ten Plagues".

#### **B. WISDOM:**

1. Moses offered his excuses
2. God provided...Exodus 3 and 4. "I will be with you"

#### **C. DIRECTION:**

1. Knew where they were going because God led.
2. Cloud by day...pillar of fire by night.

#### **D. LAW:**

1. The "Ten Commandments"
2. The Law of Moses or Old Testament
3. "Living oracles (v. 38).

#### **E. PROMISED LAND...REST.**

1. Canaan.
  2. Land of "Milk and Honey".
  3. A land prepared for them and given to them by God!.
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### CHRIST - LIKE MOSES

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#### A. CAME WITH POWER:

1. Miracles...
2. *"Ye men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God unto you by mighty works and wonders and signs which God did by him in the midst of you, even as ye yourselves know"*(Acts 2:22)
3. Raised from the dead.

#### B. WISDOM:

1. "And Jesus advanced in wisdom....(Luke 2:52).
2. "Never man so spake" 7:47).

#### C. DIRECTION:

1. John 14:1-4...."I am the Way...
2. Matt. 7, Strait and narrow way...to life.

#### D. LAW:

1. John 1:17 *"for the law was given through Moses: grace and truth came through Jesus Christ"*
2. "Thou hast the words of eternal life (John 6:68).
3. Gospel (Matt. 28:18; Romans 1:16).

#### E. PROMISED LAND....HEAVEN!

1. "Come unto me ye that labor ...I will give you rest.
2. For all that Christ has to offer see Revelations 20 through 22.

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*And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And he that heareth, let him say, Come. And he that is athirst, let him come: he that will, let him take the water of life freely." (Rev. 22:17).*