

Acts 7:17-37
God Visited His People

Introduction:

Throughout the Scriptures we are comforted by the fact that God has not only created man but He has fellowshiped and visited him. As early as Genesis 3:8 “And “(Adam and Eve) heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day.” And in the last book of the Bible we read about the son of God desiring to visit and fellowship with the church. Rev. 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door and knock, if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come into him and will dine with him, and he with Me.”

I. Moses a Type of Christ

A. Types in the Scripture

1. The book of Leviticus
2. The paschal lamb – Heb. 1:1-2

B. Variety of types

1. Reveal God’s great Purpose in redemption
2. Reveal God’s Sameness (continuity) – Heb. 9:22
3. Reveal God’s Covenants and Signs

C. Moses and Christ Parallel:

1. A Prophet – Deut. 18:15; John 6:14 cf. John 1:17
2. God’s timing – v.23; Gal. 4:4 Why the first century?
3. Persecuting of Moses and Christ – Ex. 1:15-22; Turn To Matthew 2:7-16

II. Moses Visited God’s People

A. The term “visit” v.23

1. Zacharias acknowledges the Lord God has visited us – Luke 1:68,78; Heb. 2:6; Psa. 8,
2. Greek meaning of “visit” – “To visit with care” or “to visit upon”

B. Two ways God has visited us:

1. Through the written word – (Pentateuch) Tit. 1:9; II Tim. 2:15
2. Through the living Word – John 1:1, 14; Phil. 2:5,6

C. Moses identified himself with his people

1. The principle of condescension – Heb. 2:9
2. Why would Jesus leave the palaces of the glory of heaven and come to visit us?

Answer: Because Christ prefigured Moses; and because God the Father Sent Him to demonstrate His Love and Compassion on sinners in the midst of captivity, sin, and slavery of a cruel taskmaster, the devil.