Hebrews 3 – Christ is Superior to Moses

an historical review : Moses > all other Jewish prophets

His life was remarkable from start to finish.

"The hand of Providence preserved him as a babe, and the hand of God dug his grave." {A. Pink}

His life ran the gamut... he was born into poverty, then adopted into royalty. In his late 30's, he renounced his Egyptian throne to identify with and defend his people.

He was a fugitive in a strange land...where he met God in the desert.

God commissioned and empowered him to deliver God's people out of bondage.

Moses miracles were mighty...ten nationwide plaques

1 – water into blood 2 – frog invasion 3 – lice 4 – flies 5 – cattle disease 6 – boils

7- hail mingles with fire 8 - locust 9 - darkness (3 days) 10 death of the firstborn ... also the parting of the Red Sea

"His position of nearness to the Lord was remarkable, awesome and unique." All of God's dealings with Israel were done through Moses.

He functioned as a prophet, a priest and a king.

He brought the moral law, civil law and ceremonial law.

The tabernacle was built under his direction.

An historian wrote: 'it will be difficult to find in the records of history (secular or sacred) an individual whose character is so well fitted to excite attachment and command veneration. One whose history is so replete with both interest and instruction."

The Jews record of Moses: Deut 34:10-12 John 9:28-29

	Moses	Christ
Person	a man of God	The God-man
	descended from Adam	Only begotten of God
Office	a prophet	The Prophet (Deut 18)
	told the truth	Is The truth (John 14)
	performed priestly duties (Exo 24:6, 32:11)	The Great High Priest (Heb 3:1)
	king in Jeshurun (Deut 33:5)	KING of kings (Rev 19:16)
Work	delivered Israel from Egypt	Saves his people from sin & hell
	built an earthly tabernacle	Prepares our Temple in Heaven
	led Jews thru the wilderness (but not into Canaan)	Leads his children thru their wilderness all the way to Glory

apostles – 60x [Matt 10: 2 – Rev 21:14] all lower case

apostle – 19x [Rom 1:1 – 2 Pet 1:1] all lower case; save Heb 3:1 = Jesus