

The Death of Moses

Deuteronomy 31 – 34

Numbers 27:12-23

Psalm 90

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Moses prayed, "Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. From everlasting to everlasting you are God. Now Lord, since I am about to die, appoint someone else to lead this community so that your people will not be like sheep without a shepherd."

At the Lord's command Moses placed his hands on Joshua and commissioned him as the new leader of the people of Israel saying, "Be strong and courageous. You will lead these people into the Promised Land. The Lord, the Rock of your salvation, will go with you and will deliver the land into your possession." Moses then pronounced blessings on each of the tribes of Israel. "The eternal God is your refuge. The Lord's everlasting arms will support you always."

That same day the Lord told Moses, "Go up onto Mount Nebo and see the land of Canaan, the land I am giving to the Israelites."

Moses climbed Mount Nebo. The Lord showed him the whole land, from north to south, east to west, and said, "This is the land I promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I have let you see it, but you will not enter it."

Moses, the servant of God, died on Mount Nebo in Moab across from Jericho, and the Lord buried him. For thirty days the Israelites mourned for Moses. And since then there has been no prophet like Moses, who knew God face to face.