

Another Like Moses

Moses said, "The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, *LIKE UNTO ME: unto him ye shall hearken.*" Then God says, "I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren *like unto thee*, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I *will require it of him*"

Notice! There was to be another prophet *like Moses*. In other words, *another lawgiver* was to arise. Why was this necessary? Because the people had not been given by Moses the complete spiritual revelation of God! Isaiah 42:21 prophesied there was One coming who would "*MAGNIFY* the Law and make it honourable."

By the time of Ezra and Nehemiah, *that Prophet still had not come!*

In New Testament times, the Jews were still looking for that *prophet* who was to be like a God to Israel and have the power of being lawgiver, as Moses had been! When John the Baptist appeared in Judea, he was questioned as to who he was. "And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And when they asked him, What then? Art thou Elijah? And he saith, I am not. *Art thou THAT PROPHET?* And he answered, No" (John 1 : 19-21) .

Who Was That Prophet?

There has been only One individual since the time of Moses to fulfill the role of Lawgiver and God. This One is Jesus Christ! He fulfilled the role of **THAT PROPHET** to the letter. Even many of the Jews themselves, after observing the mighty works done by Christ, recognized that He was the One like unto Moses. Notice. "Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth *THAT PROPHET that should come into the world* (John 6:14).

And, by simply reviewing the "Sermon on the Mount" we can easily perceive that Jesus was the lawgiver that was to come. Notice the successive statements of Jesus: "Ye have heard that it hath been said ... *but I say unto you*" (Matt. 5:21, 22, 27, 28, 31, 32, etc.). Jesus gave the true spiritual meaning of the Law. He, in effect, was giving new commandments (e.g., John 13:34) - and commandments which magnified the ones given of old (Isa. 42:21) .

The teaching of Jesus was also *to complete* the final written revelation of God - the Bible!

Isaiah 8:16 shows what Christ was to do. He was to "bind up the testimony," that is, He was to complete the witness of God - the Scriptures; and to "seal the law," or put His stamp of approval on the spiritual law of God - Hebrews 9:10. This binding and sealing was to be done "among His disciples" or by and through His disciples. This is exactly what Christ did! He gave us the complete Scriptures by the hand of His disciples. To the three sections already recognized by the Jews, He added, by His disciples, the remaining four sections: 1) the Gospels, 2) the Acts of the 13 Apostles, 3) the Epistles, and 4) the book of Revelation. This makes seven complete sections in all. With these seven sections the Holy Scriptures were bound up - completed, from Genesis 1 to Revelation 22. No more were ever to be added for there was to be only one other prophet like Moses to arise, and that prophet - Jesus Christ - completed the Word of God through His disciples.