

Old Testament Shadows of the Christ

Moses – Deuteronomy 18:15-19

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Similarities of Birth and Early Life

Moses and Jesus...

Similarities of Birth and Early Life

- ◆ Both were born under the dominion of a Gentile power.
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses was born when God's people were slaves in Egypt and of a Pharaoh that wanted to kill Israel's newborn sons – Ex. 1:22 – 2:3
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus was born under Roman rule and king Herod who desired to kill the newborn sons of Israel – Matt. 2:1-2, 16.
- ◆ Both were adopted
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses was adopted by Pharaoh's daughter – Ex. 2:10
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus was born with a mother but no earthly father, but was adopted by Joseph to raise when he took Mary as his wife – Matt. 1:18, 22-23

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Moses and Jesus...

Similarities of Birth and Early Life

- ◆ Both spent childhood time in Egypt
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses was born and raised in Egypt.
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus was born in Bethlehem according to prophecy, but raised for a time in Egypt to escape Herod, also according to prophecy – Matt. 2:12-15

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Similarities of Position

Moses and Jesus...

Similarities of Positions

- ◆ Both chose to leave a position of glory, power, and riches to take upon themselves the humble role of redeemer.
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses chose to leave the position of being the son of Pharaoh's daughter to suffer with God's people – Heb. 11:24-26
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus in a greater sense chose to leave the glory, power, and riches of Heaven to become man and suffer for our sins – Phil. 2:5-8; Heb. 2:14-15
- ◆ Both spent time in seclusion before entering their ministry
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses fled Egypt to spend *40 years* of seclusion in Midian – Acts 7:29
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus spent *40 days* in the desert fasting to be tempted by Satan – Mt. 4:1-3; Heb. 4:14-16

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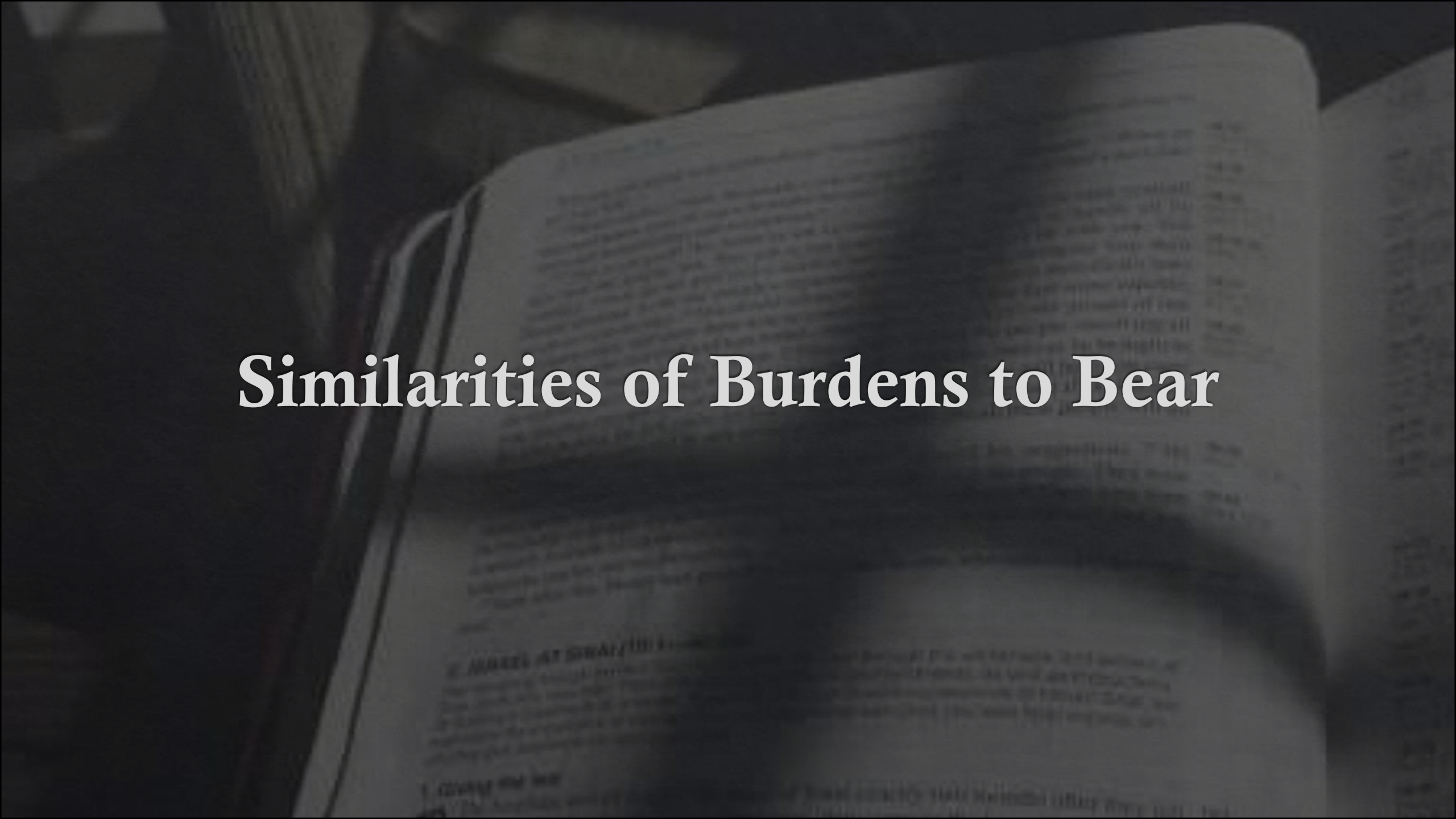
Moses and Jesus...

Similarities of Positions

- ◆ Both were rejected by their brethren in their chosen and God-given positions
 - ◆ **Shadow**: Moses was rejected as deliverer on two occasions, despite coming with signs and wonders, but still became their deliverer and ruler – Acts 7:23-29; Ex. 5:19-21
 - ◆ **Substance**: Jesus, despite coming with signs and wonders, was rejected by Israel as their ruler and deliverer, but still became king and deliverer of all – Lk. 19:12-15; Jn. 19:14-15; Acts 2:30-33

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Similarities of Burdens to Bear

Moses and Jesus...

Similarities of Burdens to Bear

- ◊ **Shadow:** Moses felt the weight of the people's discontent with him and God – Num. 11:11-15
 - ◊ Moses saw these burdens as an injustice against him.
 - ◊ He saw no reason for nor means of bearing them
 - ◊ If God favored him, he sought death instead of bearing these burdens.
- ◊ **Substance:** Jesus also felt the weight of the people's sin and afflictions, but **unlike Moses...**
 - ◊ Finding favor with God resulted in Jesus being *sent* by the Father to carry ours burdens – Isa. 53:4-6, 11
 - ◊ Jesus can *provide ample food* for His people – John 6:5-14, 35
 - ◊ Jesus *invites* all to come and cast their burdens on Him – Mt. 11:28-30; 1 Pet. 5:6-7
 - ◊ Jesus *mourned* that the people did not give Him their burdens – Mt. 23:37-38
 - ◊ Jesus is *willing and able* to bear our burdens of sin – 1 Pet. 2:22-24

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