

The Moses Statue, Museum, and Center for Jewish Values and Identity

True leadership of the Jewish nation only comes at rare moments. This is because it takes a precise combination of outstanding personal qualities which must be perfectly blended to form the "right stuff" at just the right historic moment. Outstanding leadership is accurately achieved with the brave and courageous execution of a succinct and near immediate victory effectively conquering and abating a horrendous life threatening crisis.

Moses, who affectionately became known as "Moses our Teacher", taught not only the Jewish people but the entire world as to what brave leadership is in the face of potential mass destruction.

The indelible impact of Moses life becoming the transformational pivotal point of human history is so strong that nothing can ever be compared. This is expressed in the time honored Hebrew phrase loosely translated, that from the time of "Moses our Teacher" to scores of generations later, to the great brilliance of the highly celebrated Moses Maimonides, there has never been a comparable person of the leadership and teaching greatness as that of "Moses our Teacher". In the Jewish tradition, Moses was the only person who had a "face to face" experience with G-d. And from that experience, besides saving the Jewish people from Egyptian enslavement, Moses took on the responsibility of leading by example and sharing the power, values, spiritually and uniqueness of a G-d filled relationship with the surviving generation of the Exodus. Mose took this near decimated, educated them with the radically new values given in the Torah, and from a collection of teachers who would bring Judaism to the world for all generations to come.

Surviving an untold number of odds, obstacles and near failures, Moses persevered and was victorious in leading a diverse and newly formed nation on a 40 year desert journey to a promised land. Without Moses, his impeccable strength and enduring leadership, no Jewish people would likely exist to this day.

It is this message of Moses' character to overcome the seemingly impossible and to bring the spirit, teachings, and empowerment of G-d and G-d's Torah, against all odds, to an eternal nation, is exactly what the new Moses Statue represents. Moses's life statement is a message that goes out as an inspiration to Jews and non-Jews throughout the world.

It is this inspiration which stood up to the evils of enslavement and social injustice, and was capable of taking the nation of Israel out of their exile, across a Red Sea, and into their G-d given land, the Land of Israel, the historically continuous homeland of the Jewish people, the Nation of Israel.

The Statue of Moses, the national symbol of Israel and the Jewish people, will be the pillar of an educational center for teaching all who come about the full meaning of leadership, Moses' leadership, Moses's life, values, and dreams, and how those qualities have built the foundation of the Jewish people and the State of Israel. The Center for Jewish Values will enrich the lives of not only young Israelis but international tourists as well to the meaning of the Jewish people and the depth of the

Jewish contribution to the values of the world which bring meaning and purpose to human ethical and spiritual existence.

The Moses Statue Museum and Jewish Identity Educational Center will be a center-stage attraction for all who visit Israel, from foreign dignitaries and heads of state to the full gamut of Israel's yearly tourists, as well as the nation's youth and army inductees. The museum and educational center will guide Israeli and diasporah Jewry to experience a valuable understanding of what it means to be a Jew and the preciousness of what it is to have a Jewish state. Non-Jews of the world will also be touched by the vast experience of Jewish history and the dramatic dynamics of 3,000 year magnificent history and culture embedded in the Land of Israel and in its people, the Jewish nation.

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