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Speaking against God's servant

Numbers 12, Hebrews 3:1-6

Critiquing our nation's leaders...

1) Miriam (and Aaron's) sin and God's response

- a. the underlying cause (v1-2)
 - i. his Cushite wife?
 - ii. the envy of Miriam and Aaron
- b. Moses as God's Servant (v3-9)
 - i. Humble (but reluctant) (v3)
 - ii. Faithful in God's house (v7)
 - iii. One with whom God speaks face to face (v8)
- c. God's judgement of Miriam (v9-16)
 - i. A defiling skin disease (v10)
 - ii. Shame before all the people (v14)

2) Warning and comfort for us today

- a. Jesus is God's perfect Son (and Servant) (Heb 3:1-6)
- b. Christian leaders are God's imperfect servants
 - i. If we are one, be humble, serve God in our imperfections anyway!
 - ii. When we are under them, respect them as God's servants and support them in their weakness
 - iii. Pray for more 'Moses' in the church

Let us fix our thoughts on Jesus, God's perfect Son, and humbly serve the Lord however he chooses to use us.