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# EXODUS

THE GOD WHO REDEEMS



## Exodus 34:29-35

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup> Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face

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shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup> Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in

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Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup> And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. <sup>34</sup> Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded,

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<sup>35</sup> the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.



# 5 Implications from the Text

1. Reestablished and affirmed the role and authority of Moses

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We scarcely know which is the greater wonder of the two: that a sinful worm of the earth was raised to such a height of honor as to be permitted to spend a season in the presence of the great Jehovah, or that of the Lord of glory should stoop so low as to be for 6 weeks with the foul fiend!

# 5 Implications from the Text

1. Reestablished and affirmed the role and authority of Moses
2. Confirmed God's presence was still among His people
3. Displayed God's greatness

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4. Reminded Israel they could draw near to God
5. Pointed to a greater glory



## 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, 8 will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory?

## 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

9 For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory.

10 Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it.

## 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

<sup>11</sup> For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory. <sup>12</sup> Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, <sup>13</sup> not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end.

## 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

<sup>14</sup> But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. <sup>15</sup> Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

## 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

<sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

<sup>18</sup> And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.



# Old Covenant: Moses & the Law

1. Ministry of Death/Condemnation
2. Temporary Glory

## Charles Spurgeon:

“The Law is given to point us to Christ, to drive us to Christ—to be our schoolmaster to whip us to Christ, to convince us of our need of Christ—and to shut us out from every other hope but that which begins and ends with Christ!”



# New Covenant: Christ & the Spirit

## 1. Ministry of Righteousness

## John 1:14, 16-18

<sup>14</sup> and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

<sup>16</sup> For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

## John 1:14, 16-18

<sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

# **New Covenant: Christ & the Spirit**

1. Ministry of Righteousness

2. Permanent & Eternal Glory

## Hebrews 1:3

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

## Hebrews 3:3

For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself.



## Hebrews 3:5-6

Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later,<sup>6</sup> but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.



## **“Glory of Christ” by Peter Lewis:**

“Jesus is not only the dwelling place of God, He is God dwelling among us; He is tabernacle AND glory; the form and the substance of God with us, and hence the revealer and the revelation of God. His flesh is where God is, and His person who is God is: God the eternal Word.”



## John 15:4-11

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

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<sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified,

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that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

## John 15:4-11

<sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.