The Process of Change – 2 "Beholding the Glory"

II Corinthians 3:18 (KJV)

- 1. Change is PROGRESSIVE ("glory to glory")
- 2. Change comes from <u>GOD</u> ("even as by the Spirit")
 - I can't change myself!
 - Spouse? Others?
 - I can <u>influence</u>, but not <u>impose</u> change.
- 3. Change comes from beholding the glory.

[What is the glory?]

A. It's not: a cloud, mist or fire.

Exodus 13:21 / Exodus 14:24 / Exodus 16:10 / Exodus 24:16 (ref)

- God was in the cloud and spoke out of the cloud.
- b. It is: Exodus 33 and 34 (ref)

Exodus 33:15-23 (KJV)

"Show me Your glory." (vs. 18) ref

"All of God's goodness will pass by." (vs. 19) ref

"You can't see My Face." (vs. 20, 23) ref

Exodus 34:1-8 (KJV)

God passes by and declares Who He is!

- Compassionate and merciful
- Slow to anger (longsuffering)
- Filled with unfailing love and faithfulness
- Forgiving all kinds of sin
- Just and righteous in judgment extending mercy to third and fourth generations

The Glory is God's Person and True Nature! His Glory comes out of His Presence.

Jesus is God's Person and Presence among us! John 1:14 / Hebrews 1:3 / Colossians 2:9 / John 14:6-7

Romans 2:4 (KJV) Or despisest thou the riches of His goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leads thee to repentance?"