

Sermon: Let Me See YOU!

Text: Exodus 33:12-23; 34:5-8

Ex 33:12-34:9

12 Moses said to the Lord, “See, you say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ 13 Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” 14 And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” 15 And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. 16 For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

17 And the Lord said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” 18 Moses said, “Please show me your glory.” 19 And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name ‘The Lord.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. 20 But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live.” 21 And the Lord said, “Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, 22 and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. 23 Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen.”

6 The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7 keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children’s children, to the third and the fourth generation.” 8 And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped. (ESV)

The Privilege of Scripture

It does matter how you approach God! It does matter how you serve God!
He is worthy of our best, in every dimension.

Come and enjoy everything that His name entitles without any of the
obligations His Holiness demands.

And Moses said NO!

Ex 33:16

Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people,
from every other people on the face of the earth?"

The word glory has dual meanings in translation. Means 'weighted
presence' (often referred to in our circles) but it also means 'importance or
significance'.

As we walk with God, our quest for Him should be ever growing deeper and
deeper. Our desire for Him should be ever increasing. Our confidence in
Him should become so abounding that we confidently pour out to him the
real hunger of our hearts.

Moses once hid his face, NOW – SHOW ME YOUR GLORY!

Ex 34:6-8 "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7 keeping steadfast love
for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by

no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

Jn 1:14-15 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the father, full of grace and truth.