**Intro**: 2 Tim 1:3-7 In times like these we need comfort But we also need boldness

# Problem:

2 cor 5 We are bold ambassadors of gospel of fresh starts in a world that needs one...what does this have to do with exodus 34? More than you might think

Exodus 34:1-9 it is an argument from the lesser to the greater.

If there is this much glory and grace of God in Moses' ministry How much more is there in yours

This chapter is a call to boldness - my prayer is that you see more fully your calling as an ambassador as serious one

## Main Idea:

Now if the ministry of death Carved in letters on stone Came with such glory...

Implication: How much more bold should we be

# Application:

Even now

### Articles for further study:

https://www.gotquestions.org/Psalm-119.html

https://bible.org/article/mosaic-law-its-function-and-purpose-new-testament

https://www.spurgeon.org/resource-library/sermons/the-gospel-of-the-glory-of-christ#flipbook/

### Text:

#### Now if the ministry of death

Exodus 34:10 ¶ And he said, **"Behold, I am making a covenant**. Before all your people **I will do marvels**, such as have not been created in all the earth or in any nation. **And all the people among whom you are shall see the work of the** 

**LORD**, for it is an awesome thing that I will do with you. Exodus 34:11 ¶ **"Observe what I command you this day**. Behold, I will drive out before you the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Exodus 34:12 Take care, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land to which you go, lest it become a snare in your midst.

Exodus 34:13 You shall tear down their altars and break their pillars and cut down their Asherim

# ${\sf Exodus}\ 34{:}14$ (for you shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God),

Exodus 34:15 lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and when they whore after their gods and sacrifice to their gods and you are invited, you eat of his sacrifice,

Exodus 34:16 and you take of their daughters for your sons, and their daughters whore after their gods and make your sons whore after their gods.

Exodus 34:17  $\P$  "You shall not make for yourself any gods of cast metal.

# Exodus 34:18 ¶ "You shall keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I

commanded you, at the time appointed in the month Abib, for in the month Abib you came out from Egypt.

Exodus 34:19 All that open the womb are mine, all your male livestock, the firstborn of cow and sheep.

Exodus 34:20 The firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem. And none shall appear before me empty-handed.

Exodus 34:21 ¶ "Six days you shall work, but on the seventh day you shall rest. In plowing time and in harvest you shall rest.

# Exodus 34:22 You shall observe the Feast of Weeks, the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the year's end.

Exodus 34:23 Three times in the year shall all your males appear before the LORD God, the God of Israel.

Exodus 34:24 For I will cast out nations before you and enlarge your borders; no one shall covet your land, when you go up to appear before the LORD your God three times in the year. Exodus 34:25  $\P$  "You shall not offer the blood of my sacrifice with anything leavened, or let the sacrifice of the Feast of the Passover remain until the morning.

Exodus 34:26 **The best of the firstfruits of your ground** you shall bring to the house of the LORD your God. You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk."

ex 19:5 (no if clause but same purpose) rom 3:19-20 (the Law served as a ministry of condemnation) do you love the Lord with ALL heart? Ps 119:25-32 (still good based on grace pointing to grace)

Hosea 1-3 (god jealous fiercely protective of His own pointing to the need for grace -murdered Jesus on a feast - passover) (Meant to condemn and lead you to His love truly)

### carved in letters on stone

Exodus 34:27 ¶ And the LORD said to Moses, "Write these words, for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel."

Exodus 34:28 So he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights. He neither ate bread nor drank water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments.

Heb 10:1-3 (a mere shadow of the good things that have come)

gal 3:10-29 (a mere intermediary to bring us to Christ) ps 119:70, 77, 92, 174 (yet it is a delight)

### Came with such glory...

Ex. 34:29 ¶ 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**. Ex. 34:30 Aaron and all the people of Israel **saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him**.

 $\mathsf{Ex.\ 34:31}$  But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them.

Ex. 34:32 Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai.

 $\mathsf{Ex}.\,34{:}33$  And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

Ex. 34:34 ¶ 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,

Ex. 34:35 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.

Implication:How much more bold should we be **Lk 9:27-36** (reflected glory of the Father - seen most fully in Jesus authenticated they had been with the Lord - kingdom of Heaven preview)

**2 cor 3:4-4:6** (how much more bold should we be as we declare it?) (John 17:20-23 (given to us))

Application:Even now

2 cor 4:7-11 (in this moment)

Col 4:5-6 (dont waste this pandemic...rejoice boldly)

# **Application Questions**

# MESSAGE RECEIVED (Do you understand what you learned?)

- What is the main point of this message? (Could you summarize it in your own words?)
- What is something new that you learned?
  - What was your knowledge in this area before you heard this message?
  - Any change you will make in your daily life based upon this new knowledge?
- What reference verse stands out to you and why?
- How did this message encourage you? Why do you think that is?
- Did the message pair with your weekly bible reading in any way?
- What is a struggle you had with this message? It's content or it's application?
- What are some truths that stand out to you in this message?
  - Any life testimonies that you can think of that are good examples of these truths?
- What character/attribute of God stands out to you the most in this message and why?
  - Any specific verse that puts this attribute on display?

# MESSAGE APPLIED

(What are you going to do with what you learned?)

# <u>Culture</u>

- What are the lies of the world/devil that we need to be aware of that are antithetical to this message?
- What do you think the cultural animosity is towards this message if we apply it rightly?

# <u>Church</u>

- How do you see this message impacting the church corporately? (locally/globally)
  - What prayers would be good to pray for the church body based on this message?

Individual

- Is there a sin in your life that this message convicted you of?
  - Why do you think this was a blind spot in your sanctification before this message?
- How did the message address any specific life circumstance you are going through right now?
- Select two questions from the below list and write down your answer to them:
  - How does this message change or impact your:
    - Prayer Life?
    - Evangelism?
    - Bible Reading?
    - Christian Relationships?
    - Non-Christian relationships?
    - Parenting?
    - Role as a Husband/Wife?
    - Workplace?
- How have you been changed by this message? What is your one memorable takeaway. If I ask you "How did God sanctify you through the preaching of this message, how would you respond?"