Show Me Your Glory

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INTRODUCTION

- I think we probably all agree one of our favorite biblical characters, or certainly one of our favorite Old Testament characters, would have to be Moses.
- He was a mediator between God and his people who would foreshadow the ultimate mediator, our Savior.
- They've seen the mighty hand of God. And now they're assembled around the mountain of God.

1 Please Show Me Your Glory

Exodus 33:18–23

- Moses has seen the grand demonstrations of God's power, his might, his majesty.
- Please show me your glory. Moses says, God, I want to see more. I want to see you and who you are.
- You cannot see my face. For no man shall see me and live.
- I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and I'll cover you with my right hand while I pass by.

2 The Glory of God Resides in His Character

Exodus 34:5–7

- My glory does not reside in my visage. It doesn't reside in what you can see as powerful and bright as that might be.
- But the glory of God resides in his character, who he is, and how he deals with man whom he has created.
- The Lord God, merciful and gracious, long suffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and by no means clearing the guilty.

3 I Am the Lord, the Lord God

Exodus 34:6

- The word God from the Hebrew word el or Elohim simply meant deity.
- He says twice, I am the Lord, I am Yahweh or Jehovah, the personal name for God.
- He was personal to these people.
- I am. This speaks of the eternal existence of God.

4 He Is Merciful and Gracious

Psalm 103:13–15; Ephesians 2:4–7

- As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear him. For he knows our frame.
- Graciousness is the ability to be able to have the power to do for those who are lesser than you.
- But our God both feels the mercy and has the ability, the gracious ability to be able to do something about it.

- But God who is rich in mercy. Because of his great love with which he loved us.

5 Long Suffering, Abounding in Goodness and Truth

- Because he is merciful and gracious, then it follows that he would be long suffering.
- Oh, he'll judge. But he's slow to act in his anger.
- Goodness is unfailing love and affection and kindness.
- But also truth in the sense that he is true. He is reliable. He is dependable. That's his glory.

6 Keeping Mercy for Thousands, Not Clearing the Guilty

Exodus 20:5–6

- Showing mercy to thousands to those who love me and keep my commandments.
- The punishment for sin will be felt for generations, third and fourth generations, but his mercy for thousands.
- We're still experiencing the blessings through Jesus Christ, the ultimate fulfillment to the promise to Abraham.
- But to those who refuse, I will not clear the guilty. They will be judged.

MY NOTES