

## EXODUS 33 –Repentance and Seeking God.

### I. (1-6) Repentance.

**Good News:** After the sin of the golden calf, God did not deny the children of Israel the Promised Land and His protection.

***Isaiah 63:9** - In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the Angel of His Presence saved them; in His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bore them and carried them all the days of old.*

**Bad News:** They were stiff necked and He would not remain amidst them.

The people displayed their repentance and mourning by not wearing their **ornaments**. They knew this was not the time for decorating the external, but it was time to bring the heart right with God.

***Ezekiel 14:6** - “Therefore say to the house of Israel, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “**Repent**, turn away from your idols, and turn your faces away from all your abominations.*

***Luke 5:32** - “I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”*

***2 Corinthians 7:9** - For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.*

***2 Peter 3:9** - The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.*

***Revelation 2:5** - “Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.*

### II. (7-23) Moses moves his tent outside the camp, talks to God.

After Israel’s heart turned towards God in repentance; Moses moved away from the camp and made his own tent a **tabernacle of meeting**, to meet and talk with God.

By making the place of worship outside the camp, Moses drew a line to see who really wanted to draw close to the Lord.

i. (8-11) The presence of God.

Moses' tent became that because *God actually came there to meet Moses* by the pillar of cloud. As the people saw God descend, they worshipped, every man at his door.

ii. ([12-23](#)) Moses **talks/listens** to God.

**Moses:** Show me Your Way, if your presence doesn't go with us, we won't move...

**God:** I will do this thing... **Moses:** Please, show me Your glory... **God:** I will...

*This hunger for more of God – for more of an experience with God – is a mark of true revival and restoration of relationship. Whatever Moses had experienced with God, he now wanted more. “The more a man knows of God, the more desirous he is to know him.”*

[1 John 4:12](#) - No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

[1 Chronicles 16:11](#) - Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His face evermore!

[Isaiah 55:6](#) - Seek the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near.

[Hosea 10:12](#) - Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for it is time to **seek the LORD**, till He comes and rains righteousness on you.

[Psalm 40:16](#) - Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; let such as love Your salvation say continually, “The LORD be magnified!”

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.**

**Show me Your glory, Send down Your presence, I want to see Your face  
Show me Your glory, Majesty shines about You, I can't go on without You,  
Lord.**