

# Exodus 34 - God's character

sight, <sup>b</sup> shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is <sup>d</sup>thy people.

14 And he said, <sup>e</sup> My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee <sup>f</sup> rest.

15 And he said unto him, <sup>g</sup> If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? <sup>i</sup> is it not in that thou goest with us? so <sup>j</sup> shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for <sup>k</sup> thou hast found grace in my sight, and <sup>l</sup> I know thee by name.

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me <sup>m</sup> thy glory.

19 And he said, I will make all <sup>n</sup> my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; <sup>o</sup> and will be <sup>p</sup> gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for <sup>q</sup> there shall no man see me, and live.

21 And the LORD said, Behold, <sup>r</sup> there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee <sup>s</sup> in a cleft of the rock, and will <sup>t</sup> cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall <sup>u</sup> not be seen.

## CHAPTER 34.

<sup>1</sup> The tables are renewed. <sup>5</sup> The name of the LORD proclaimed. <sup>29</sup> Moses' face shineth.

**A**ND the LORD said unto Moses, <sup>h</sup> Hew thee two tables

of stone like unto the first: <sup>b</sup> and I will write upon *these* tables the words that were in the first tables, <sup>c</sup> which thou brakest.

2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me <sup>f</sup> in the top of the mount.

3 And no man shall <sup>h</sup> come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount.

4 ¶ And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and <sup>g</sup> proclaimed the name of the LORD.

6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, <sup>i</sup> The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and <sup>j</sup> gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in <sup>k</sup> goodness and <sup>l</sup> truth,

7 <sup>b</sup> Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and <sup>d</sup> that will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

8 And Moses made haste, and <sup>g</sup> bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

9 And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, <sup>i</sup> let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us; for <sup>j</sup> it is a stiff-necked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for <sup>m</sup> thine inheritance.

**Exod 33:18-19** God's glory is not seen in acts of mighty power but in His character.

God's Name (Yahweh) is a memorial to help us remember His character: **Exod 3:14-15**. God reminds us that He wants His character to be revealed in the Saints.

Colour code: Blue (God & Jesus); Red (sin/ devil/judgment of wicked); Green (Kingdom); Orange (important words & phrases); Purple (Israel & return of Jews to the land); Yellow (practical exhortation).

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## GOD IS ONE - A UNITY

**Deut 6:4** "Hear, O Israel; the LORD our God is one LORD."

**Mark 12:29** Jesus quotes **Deut 6:4** and confirms that this is true.

**Isa 45:5** "I am the LORD, and there is none else. There is no God beside Me". Also **Isa 44:10-11; 44:8; 46:9**.

**Eph 4:6** "One God and Father of all" Also **1 Tim 1:17**.

**1 Tim 2:5** "One God and one mediator, Jesus Christ" Also **1 Cor 8:4-6**.

## ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

**Psa 90:2; 1 Kings 8:27** God has no beginning and no end. Heaven and Earth cannot contain Him.

**Psa 139:1,12** God everywhere by His Spirit. All-powerful and all-knowing. Also **Psa 147:5; Isa 40:28; Acts 15:18**.

**Psa 33:6** Creator and Sustainer of all. Also **Gen 1:1; Psa 124:8; Acts 17:24**.

**Mal 3:6; Jms 1:17** God unchangeable

## THE CHARACTER OF GOD

**Psa 103:7-13** Relationship God wants to have with His children. He is a Father.

**Isa 35:1-4; 65:17-18** A God of Joy.

**Isa 49:15** likens Yahweh to a mother feeding a child. **Hosea 11:3** likens Him to a Dad teaching his child to walk.

**Rom 11:22** His goodness and severity

**1 John 4:7-9** God's character is Love.

## IMPORTANCE OF KNOWING GOD

**John 17:3** This is life eternal

**Heb 11:6** Believe in God and that He rewards those who diligently seek Him

**Jer 9:3,23-24; 22:15-16** We begin to act like the God we know and love

**Micah 6:6-8** God requires us to "do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God"