

THE LIFE OF MOSES

I. The Distancing of the Lord (Exodus 33:1-12)

1. While the Lord appears to urge the people to continue on to the Promised Land, what does He explain would be different about His relationship with them going forward, after the incident with the golden calf? (33:1-3)

What practical reason does He provide for this change?

2. How do the people react to this "sad word"? (33:3-6)

What might this reaction indicate about their attitude toward God, especially after the consequences of Chapter 32?

3. How does Moses position himself relative to the people during this time?

4. What is unique about Moses' dealings with God during this time?

What impression does this make with the people?

II. Moses Intercedes Again (Exodus 33:12-23)

1. Toward what goal is Moses making intercession for the people? (33:14)

2. How does Moses "leverage" His own relationship with God here?

3. What request does Moses make from God? (18)

4. To what extent does the Lord grant this request? What precautions are required?

5. In what way does Jesus provide what Moses was seeking? (John 1:18)

III. The Covenant is Renewed (Exodus 34:1-28)

1. What did Moses have to make and bring with him back to the top of the mountain?

2. What statement and request does Moses begin with? (34:9)
3. Besides the Ten Commandments written on the tablets, what other categories of commands does the Lord go over with Moses this time?

Why might some of these be especially important, given the recent history of the people?

4. What became of this set of tablets? (Deuteronomy 10:1-5)

IV. **The Veil of Moses (Exodus 34:29-35)**

1. What visible effect did speaking face-to-face with the Lord have on Moses?
2. What impact did this effect have on Aaron and the people (apparently even before Moses realized what was happening)?
3. What arrangement did Moses make to alleviate this effect?
4. According to Paul in II Corinthians 3:13, why did Moses use this veil?
5. How does the glory of the new covenant compare with that of the old? (II Corinthians 3:7-11)
6. In Christ, what is removed? (II Corinthians 3:14)
7. How does that removal affect our approach to the Lord? (II Corinthians 3:18)

What impact does that approach have on our lives?