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EXODUS Chapter 33:11-23 – 34

Opening Questions:

- a. Describe a situation where you knew it was time to move on. For example, job, relationship, a living situation, a church.
- b. Give 2 words you would use to describe yourself.
- c. What tips would you give to someone moving to the state you live in?

Discussion Questions:

- Joshua remained in the tent even after Moses left (v. 11). What does this say about Joshua's character and preparation for future leadership?
- 2. In verses 12–13, Moses asks God to show him His ways so that he can continue to find favor. What was seeking?
- 3. Moses says he will not go forward unless God's presence goes with him. What do you think Moses feared?
- 4. When Moses boldly asks to see God's glory (v.18), how does God respond?
- 5. Is Moses seeing a physical manifestation of God? How do you explain what God was showing him? (1 Timothy 6:15-16; John 1:18; Ex. 24:9-10)

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- 6. Why was it important to have a new set of tablets? (Ex. 32:16-19, Deut. 10:1-2)
- 7. How does God's description of himself fit the action in chapters 32-34?
- 8. What are the key features God wanted to teach the Israelites about his nature?

- 9. Is God renewing a covenant with Israel, or is he making a new covenant (verse 10)? Explain your answer.
- 10. Why does God want to make the covenant?
- 11. God is described as both forgiving and just ("yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished"). How can both be true at the same time? (Romans 3:25–26; Nahum 1:3.)
- 12. Do you think verse 7b is referring to "generational curses"? (*Deut. 24:16, Ezekiel 18:19-32*)
 - (Ex, 20:5, Num. 14:18; 2 Chronicles 30:9; Nehemiah 9:17)
- Can Christians today be subject to generational curses? Explain your answer. (Exodus 20:5, 2 Cor. 5:17).
- 14. Moses makes intercession for the Israelites again (verse 9). On what basis does he make his plea to God and what does that tell you about Moses' relationship with the people?
- 15. What warnings were given in verses 12-14? Were they necessary? (2 Corinthians 6:14)
- 16. Are there practical reasons why God told the Israelites to destroy the pagan worship related items? (verse 13)
- 17. What might the surrounding nations say to pressure the Israelites to live together, marry, worship, and adopt to their customs?
- 18. Compare the commandments given in verses 15-26 with Exodus 20:1-17.
- 18. How did the Israelites feel when Moses finally came back to the camp?