

A JEALOUS GOD OF SECOND CHANCES

Exodus 34:10-35

- The LORD gives second chances to His people to display His love and glory. (v. 10)
- The LORD asks us to worship Him alone and trust what He promises to do by remembering what He has done. (w. 11-27)
- After we encounter God's glory, we are never the same and have the privilege of sharing that with the world. (w. 28-35)



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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Have you had a "second chance at life" type of experience? Share with the group.
2. Is there a "second chance" story in your Christian walk that you would like to share? Maybe a failure or mistake that has produced in you enormous gratitude for the grace of God. Refer back to Ex. 34:6-7, Romans 5:6-10.
3. Read Ex. 34:10 and Eph. 3:20-21. How does this encourage you regarding God's promises for Israel and all His people?
4. Read Ex. 34:11-14. Discuss the serious nature of idolatry. Does it seem excessively harsh that God would drive out these other nations from the Promised Land? What does God mean when He says His name is "jealous"? What modern examples of idolatry are we tempted by? 2 Chronicles 20:5-6, Eph. 6:12-13
5. Read Ex. 34:15-17. Discuss how God describes those that compromise. In what ways do we see compromise in our lives today? In our culture? In the church? Read Gen. 3:1. In what ways does Satan ask the same question today? James 1:14-15
6. Read Ex. 34:18-26. How do these feasts, firstfruits offerings and observance of the Sabbath remind us of God's rescue, provision and shelter? 1 Cor. 15:20, Gal. 4:4, John 3:16, Matt. 20:28
7. How is communion/the Lord's Supper the most important remembrance? Col. 1:15-20.
8. Read Ex. 34:27-35. Describe the miracle that Moses experienced. Compare the reflection of God's glory by Moses with the radiance of God's glory in Jesus. Heb. 1:1-3.
9. How have you seen the glory of God reflected in people's lives?
10. Read 2 Corinthians 3. Compare this passage with Exodus 34.

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