

## "Exiting Exodus—*The Gospel According to Moses*"

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Exodus 33:12-16

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### Summary Comment on the Final Chapters of Exodus

- Ex 25-31 = The Revelation/Explanation of the Tabernacle
- Ex 32-34 = The Golden Calf Incident and Recovery
- Ex 35-39 = The Construction and Making of the Tabernacle & Priesthood

Exodus 40:1-8 ...You shall set up the Tabernacle—

Exodus 40:9-15 ...You shall anoint the Tabernacle and the Priests—

**Exodus 40:16-17...33** ...The Tabernacle is Erected!

**Exodus 40:34-38** ...The Glory of the Lord MANIFEST in Their Midst

## **The HEART of EXODUS—*The Gospel According to Moses***

**Exodus 33:12-16**

### **v. 12 ...a People 'known by God by name'**

**Jer 1:5** Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

**Isa 43:1** But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

**2 Tim 2:19** But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: "The Lord knows those who are his,"

**John 13:18** I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen.

**"This is NOT Mere Mental Familiarity or Awareness—It Describes God Fulfilling His Purpose in a Chosen People"**

**Eph 1:3-4, 11** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, + even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, ...<sup>11</sup> In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,

***Moses was aware that they were Uniquely Chosen by God to Fulfill His Plan & Purpose!***

**v. 12 ...a People who have 'found favor' in God's sight**

- The Nature of any Possibility that Corrupted Man could find a relationship with Holy God—"GRACE"

**Eph 2:1-10** ...This is the N.T. Explanation of What it Sounds like to "FIND FAVOR" with God!!

— ***Note the Clarity of the Gospel if you Keep Everything in its Rightful Place!*** [Depravity/Death --> Imposing of God's Character --> LIFE imparted by Grace --> That is Received by Faith --> That produces WORKS]

**v. 13 ... "that I may KNOW YOU"**

- ***The Ultimate Governing Plea of the God Seeker! ... "God, arrange my life so that it OPTIMIZES Knowing You!!!"***

Moses stares into the possibilities of the future, and His priority isn't—  
God, whatever you do, make my life EASY ...make my life COMFORTABLE  
...make my life SAFE or SECURE or RISK FREE or WEALTHY or POPULAR or  
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....Whatever My Future Holds—Make Sure it is  
Designed So That I May KNOW YOU MORE!!

### From Exodus to Philippians to an Eternity of Knowing God

**Phil 3:8, 10** Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ... — <sup>10</sup> that I may know him and the power of his resurrection,

*"God does not merely want you to read about Him, He wants you to know Him. ...When Jesus said eternal life is knowing God—He did not mean that eternal life is knowing about God. He was not referring to someone who has read many books and attended numerous seminars about God. He was talking about a firsthand, experiential knowledge. We come to truly know God as we experience Him in and around our lives. Many people have grown up attending church and hearing about God all their lives, but they do not have a personal, dynamic, growing relationship with God. They never hear His voice. They have no idea what God's will is. They do not encounter His love firsthand. They have no sense of divine purpose for their lives. They may know a lot about God, but they don't really know Him."*  
**Henry Blackaby, "Experiencing God", p. 2**

### v. 14-16 ... "The Return of the Presence of God"

Ex 25:8 ...**THIS is why we've come to Mt. Sinai**

- **The Old Way of the Patriarchs will NO LONGER DO!!**
- Moses has become a "God-Addict", a "Glory-junkie" ...and he Cannot Stand the Thought of Less!

*God created man expressly for the use of His pleasure and fellowship. Nothing in or of this world measures up to the simple pleasure of experiencing the presence of God. The spirit of restlessness breaking across the sea of humanity testifies to this truth. Our whole purpose as created beings is to utilize our time delighting in the manifest presence of our Creator. This presence is both intangible and indescribable. ... Some things rise above explanation and human understanding, and this is one. Many Christians are filled with good information, but only a few mercy drops fall into their languid soul to satisfy the thirst for God's presence. Too many have never burst into the dazzling sunlight of God's conscious, manifest presence. Or if they perchance have, it is a rare experience and not a continuous delight." A.W. Tower, "Experiencing the Presence of God", p. 17*

***In Our Day (No Longer the Mt. Sinai Tabernacle) We have  
Come to Mt. Pentecost—the Latest Upgrade of the Dwelling  
Presence of God Among Men!***