

/Let us begin with the seventeenth lecture on Exodus. / In chapter 32, the Israelites made a golden calf, and God became angry.

/We must get rid of everything in us that is like the golden calf. / We must throw away the gods in us that cannot speak, hear, or see.

/If we do not properly know God, we will begin to worship money or this world as a god. / We need to repent of such sins. / Now in chapter 33, Moses encourages the Israelites to be upright before God.

/Please read verses 1-3. / Then the LORD said to Moses, "Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I will send an angel before you and drive out the Canaanites, Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. Go up to the land flowing with milk and honey. But I will not go with you, because you are a stiff-necked people and I might destroy you on the way."

/God commanded Moses. / God told him to take the Israelites and enter the land of Canaan, which God promised to give them.

/He also told Moses to drive out the Canaanites, the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. / Then God said, "I will give you the land flowing with milk and honey."

/God also said, "I will not go with you." / God said that he was going to give them the land of Canaan, but he was not going up with them.

/God said that he might destroy them on the way because they were stiff-necked people. / Hearing this, the Israelites mourned before God.

/God was going to give them the land of Canaan. He was going to give everything they wanted. Yet, God was not going to go up with them.

/Please read verses 4-5. / When the people heard these distressing words, they began to mourn and no one put on any ornaments. For the LORD had said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites, 'You are a stiff-necked people. If I were to go with you even for a moment, I might destroy you. Now take

off your ornaments and I will decide what to do with you."

/Please read verse 6. / So the Israelites stripped off their ornaments at Mount Horeb.

/The Israelites mourned after they heard God say this. / They stripped off the ornaments they were wearing and mourned.

/God said he was going to give them Canaan, but he was not going to go up with them. It would be a great disaster and sadness for them. / Imagine that there was a father who was a great and rich man.

/He had a disobedient and problematic son. Imagine that he had a son this. / One day, the father called his son and told him, "I will give you anything you want."

/He added, "But after today, you are no longer my son. You and I will be strangers." Could the son favorably consider his father's words? / When God says, "I will give you everything you want. However, I won't be with you," it is like a curse.

/Even if we are penniless, sick, and do not have the things we want, our lives are successful as long as we serve God. / Those who have God by their side are those who have truly succeeded.

/When the Israelites heard God say this, they mourned and humbled themselves. / Thus, God saw this and decided to reconsider. / Moses went up before God and prayed.

/Verses 7-11. / Now Moses used to take a tent and pitch it outside the camp some distance away, calling it the "tent of meeting." Anyone inquiring of the LORD would go to the tent of meeting outside the camp. And whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people rose and stood at the entrances to their tents, watching Moses until he entered the tent. As Moses went into the tent, the pillar of cloud would come down and stay at the entrance, while the LORD spoke with Moses. Whenever the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance to the tent, they all stood and worshiped, each at the entrance to his tent. The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

/Moses pitched a tent outside the camp. / He did this because there was the chance that God would be wrathful to the Israelites for making the golden calf.

/Moses separated the Israelites from God because they were too corrupted and filthy. / What does God hate most? Sin. / They reeked of the stench of sin.

/Because God might be wrathful towards them, Moses pitched a tent outside the camp and prayed there. / In verse 7, it says that whoever inquired of the LORD went to the tent outside the camp. / The tent was the meeting place with God.

/It was God's house. / Today, it is the church. / Jesus said, "My house will be called a house of prayer." / Jesus drove out all the money changers and those who sold doves at the temple.

/God's church is a house of prayer, a house of the truth, and a place to meet God. / Would God be pleased if we make the church a house for people? / Does the church exist for people to hang out there?

/Is the church a place for feasts and festivals for people? / Is it a place for playing instruments, for dancing and entertaining ourselves?

/The place that is separated from sin is the church. / God dwells in the holy place. / We can meet God at the holy and secret place.

/Moses met God out at the tent and prayed for the sins of the Israelites. / The Israelites stood outside and watched Moses go out to the tent.

/They watched and waited until Moses finished praying and came out. /Then their hearts were filled with repentance and fear of God.

/Moses talked to God just as two friends talk to each other. / We should be able to intimately pray to God. / How can we grow intimate with God? / It is simple.

/If we really love God, we can be close to God. / We can be intimate with God when we really love God. / When we love God, we can easily obey all his commands.

/Love overcomes everything. / In Song of Songs 8:6, it says that love is strong.

/Read verse 11. / The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

/Moses returned after he prayed, but his aide Joshua remained in the tent and prayed. / There are good students under the guide of good teachers. / There are godly followers behind godly leaders.

/Members of the church take after the pastor of their church. / If the pastor is prayerful, the members will pray as well. / If the pastor loves God's word, the members will also love God's word.

/Moses prayed to God. / He asked, "With whom am I to lead these people?"

/Verses 12-14. / Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people." The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

/Moses prayed to God about the following. / First, let me know whom you will send with me. /Second, show me your ways. / Third, consider these people as your people.

/Moses' prayer was a right prayer. / We must find the way God wants. / No matter how much we may want to go a certain way, it is wrong if God is not pleased with the way.

/Moses also prayed, "Remember that this nation is your people." / In verse 14, God said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

/God said, "You do not need anyone else. I will go with you myself." / When does God go with us? / God goes with us when we live by faith.

/Verses 15-17. / Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face

of the earth?" And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

/Moses prayed, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here." / "If you won't be with us, do not send us to the land of Canaan."

/“No matter how rich and beautiful the land is, if you are not present with us, we will not go.” / “It is no good to us if you are not with us.”

/If God is not with us, everything is no good to us. / Then God replied to Moses. / “I now know your heart.” / God knew Moses’ heart. /God acknowledge Moses, saying, “You have found favor in my sight.”

/Verses 18-23. / Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live." Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

/Moses asked God to show him his glory. / What is God's glory? / It can be said that it is God's great grace. / It is to be empowered by the power of God.

/In 1 Samuel chapter 4, / Phinehas, the son of priest Eli, committed a sin. / After his death for his sin, his wife gave birth to a son. / She named the boy "Ichabod."

/It meant that the glory of God had departed. / God departs from anyone who sins.

/Here in verse 19, God said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you." / A sinner immediately dies when he sees God. / When God said, "I will pass in front of you," God meant that he would remain close.

/We become clean when we get rid of our greed. / God, who keeps his promise, stays with us. / A clean heart is one without greed. /We must get rid of our earthly and fleshly greed.

/Earthly greed refers to greed for worldly materials. / Fleshly greed refers to sexual desires and the desire for the approval of people. / Greed for fame refers to greed for popularity and glory. / We all naturally have such greed.

/We must rule ourselves so that such greed is not in us. / God told Moses, "You cannot see my face." / Even Moses would not live if he saw God's face.

/Verses 21-23. / Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

/God told Moses, "You may stand on a rock." / God said, "When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

/God told Moses that when he passed by, he would cover Moses' face with his hand. /Then Moses would not see God's face, but would see God's back.

/God covered Moses' face so that Moses would not die. /God showed consideration for Moses so that Moses would not die. /Moses met God.

/Now in chapter 34, God gave another command through Moses.

/Please read verses 1-4. / The LORD said to Moses, "Chisel out two stone tablets like the first ones, and I will write on them the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. Be ready in the morning, and then come up on Mount Sinai. Present yourself to me there on top of the mountain. No one is to come with you or be seen anywhere on the mountain; not even the flocks and herds may graze in front of the mountain." So Moses chiseled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the LORD had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands.

/God told Moses to cut two stone tablets and come up to him. / God told him to come up to Mount Sinai in the morning. / No one was to come with Moses, not even the animals.

/Then Moses went up to God with the two stone tablets in the morning. /When God first gave the Ten Commandments, he wrote with his hands and gave it to Moses.

/Where were the two tablets now? / Moses saw the Israelites worship the golden calf and threw them. / Moses acted to show God's wrath. / The two stone tablets were broken.

/God told Moses, "Chisel out two stone tablets and come up to me." / God pours out much grace on us, and we must not underestimate his grace. / God takes away his grace if we are careless.

/We must repent once again and stand upright before God. / We must use our conscience of faith and go near God. / Moses went up to God in the morning with two stone tablets.

/We believers pray in the morning and start our day. / Mark 1:35. / Jesus woke up early in the morning. /Jesus went out to search for a quiet place.

/The place was quiet. / Where is the quiet place? / The original meaning of it is a secluded and isolated place. / We may feel lonely and melancholy on our way to pray, but we are meeting God. / Let us pray in quiet places.

/Verses 5-7. / Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation."

/The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke. / God said, he is the LORD. / "LORD" means, God who saves according to his promise.

/Verse 6 says that the LORD God is compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in love and faithfulness. / God is gracious, slow to anger, and forgives us when we repent of our sins.

/God said that he would show mercy to thousand of generations concerning goodness and righteousness. / However, God said that whoever sins and does not repent will not be forgiven. / God said that he would judge the children to the third and fourth generations.

/Why to the third and fourth generations? / Would God punish a son or a grandson even if they did nothing wrong? / There are two characteristics of sin. / First, sin spreads quickly. / Second, sin quickly rots its surroundings.

/That is why the Bible tells us to get rid of the small amount of yeast. / If a father sins continually, his son will follow his example. / If a grandfather and father continue to sin before God, the child will take after them.

/We can say that this is the negative influence of sin. / God's judgment falls to the third and fourth generations because such negative influence flows down to the descendants. / If a father loves to drink, his child will love to drink.

/The more debauched the parents are, the greater the possibility that their children will live in debauchery. / Negative influences are passed down. / On the other hand, what about a family that faithfully worships God and prays?

/The children will take after their parents' faithfulness to God. / The children will fear God. / They will keep the Sabbath. / They will honor their parents. / They will try to find out what pleases God.

/Then ultimately, God's grace will flow down to thousands of generations. / Then Moses bowed his head to God.

/Verses 8-9. / Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped. "O Lord, if I have found favor in your eyes," he said, "then let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance."

/Moses bowed to the ground and immediately asked of God. / "Forgive us Israel for our sin." / "Lord, go with us." / "Take us as your inheritance."

/Verses 10-13. / Then the LORD said: "I am making a covenant with you. Before all your people I will do wonders never before done in any nation in all the world. The people you live among will see how awesome is the work that I, the LORD, will do for you. Obey what I command you today. I will drive out before you the Amorites, Canaanites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. Be careful not to make a treaty with those who live in the land where you are going, or



they will be a snare among you. Break down their altars, smash their sacred stones and cut down their Asherah poles.

/God said, "I am making a covenant with you." / This covenant had not been made with any other nation or tribe. / Then God said, "Obey what I command you today."

/Then God told Moses not to make a treaty with those who lived in Canaan when they entered the land. / "Do not make a treaty with strangers." / What does this mean? / This meant that they were not to compromise their faith. / They were not to compromise the truth.

/Whenever they compromised their faith or the truth for the sake of something, God would leave them. / Then God commanded them to break down all the idols in the land. / "Sacred stones" were idols that were like pillars. / Asherah was the representative female idol. /The Canaanites worshiped this god, believing that it would help with their harvest.

/Verses 14-17. / Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God. "Be careful not to make a treaty with those who live in the land; for when they prostitute themselves to their gods and sacrifice to them, they will invite you and you will eat their sacrifices. And when you choose some of their daughters as wives for your sons and those daughters prostitute themselves to their gods, they will lead your sons to do the same. "Do not make cast idols.

/God told them not to worship any idols. / Concerning the faith of their children, God told them to stay holy and pure. / We all have children of faith. / From pastors' points of view, believers are their children in faith.

/When we evangelize and unbelievers believe, they become children of faith. / We must strive to remain holy and pure. / Next, God commanded the people to celebrate the three festivals.

/Verses 18-23. / "Celebrate the Feast of Unleavened Bread. For seven days eat bread made without yeast, as I commanded you. Do this at the appointed time in the month of Abib, for in that month you came out of Egypt. "The first offspring of every womb belongs to me, including all the firstborn males of your livestock, whether from herd or flock. Redeem the firstborn donkey with a lamb, but if you do not redeem it, break its neck. Redeem all your firstborn sons. "No one is to appear before me empty-handed. "Six days you shall labor, but on the seventh day

you shall rest; even during the plowing season and harvest you must rest. "Celebrate the Feast of Weeks with the firstfruits of the wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the turn of the year. Three times a year all your men are to appear before the Sovereign LORD, the God of Israel.

/There are three festivals in Israel. /First, the Feast of Unleavened Bread. / The Feast of Unleavened Bread is celebrated with the Passover. / The Passover is celebrated on the fourteenth day of the first month, and the Feast of Unleavened Bread is celebrated from the fifteenth day. / The Israelites celebrated their salvation after smearing the blood of lambs on their doorposts in Egypt.

/Second, the Feast of Weeks. / It is also called the Feast of the First Fruits. / Third, the Feast of Ingathering. / During these feasts, the Israelites were to come before God and worship God.

/God said, "The first offspring of every womb belongs to me." / The "first" refers to God's people. / All the firstborn were to be offered to God. / Also, they were not to appear empty-handed before God.

/We must go before God with offerings of thanksgiving. / The Passover signifies thanksgiving for the grace of Jesus' redemption.

/The Feast of Weeks / refers to the giving of the fruits of saved believers to God. / The Feast of Ingathering is a time of thanksgiving for the fruit of faith in God.

/Verses 24-26. / I will drive out nations before you and enlarge your territory, and no one will covet your land when you go up three times each year to appear before the LORD your God. "Do not offer the blood of a sacrifice to me along with anything containing yeast, and do not let any of the sacrifice from the Passover Feast remain until morning. "Bring the best of the firstfruits of your soil to the house of the LORD your God. "Do not cook a young goat in its mother's milk."

/God said that he would protect them if they kept the feasts.

/Verses 27-32. / Then the LORD said to Moses, "Write down these words, for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel." Moses was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights without eating bread or drinking water. And he wrote on the tablets

the words of the covenant-- the Ten Commandments. When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

/Moses then wrote down God's words as God commanded. / Written words last longer than spoken words. / God wrote the Ten Commandments on the two stone tablets.

/Moses met with God and prayed for forty days, and his face was radiant when he came down from the mountain. / Moses did not know, but the Israelites saw and were surprised. / Moses then realized this and put a veil over his face.

/Verses 33-35. / When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

/The radiant glow from Moses' face symbolized the law. / The law would eventually fade. / The law was the teacher that led people to Jesus. / Galatians 3:24. / We must not deny the law.

/However, anyone who says that salvation comes from keeping the law is a legalist. / Legalism is wrong. / We who have been saved by faith in Jesus must obey God's word and commands. / Thank you.