The life of Moses (From Egypt to the Edge of the Promised Land)

Exodus and selected verses from Deuteronomy

**LESSON 21 – Moses Meets with the LORD**

**(Exodus 33:7-34:28)**

**EXTRA INFO:** The tabernacle has not yet been built at this point in time. So, Moses’ tent became the special meeting place for Moses to talk intimately *face to face* with God. The people watching from afar were reminded of the removal of God’s immediate presence.

**DAYS ONE -** Read Exodus 33:7-11 (Moses Meets with the LORD)

1. If someone was seeking the LORD or Moses, where would they have to go, and what was the place called?

*Answer here*

2. What did all the people do when Moses went out to this tabernacle?

*Answer here*

3. What *came to pass when Moses entered the tabernacle*?

*Answer here*

4. How did the people respond during this time according to verse 10?

*Answer here*

5. Describe how *the LORD spoke to Moses* at this time, and what did his servant Joshua do?

*Answer here*

**DAY TWO -** Read Exodus 33:12-23 (The Promise of God’s Presence)

1. As Moses spoke to the LORD as an intercessor for his people, what points did he make that stand out to you in verses 12-13?

*Answer here*

2. What wonderful response came from the LORD in verse 14?

*Answer here*

3. List some of the things that show how important *the Presence of the LORD* is for this journey they are about to take in verses 15-16.

*Answer here*

4. What was the final conclusion from *the LORD* in this matter, and what was His reason for it in verse 17?

*Answer here*

5. a. What did Moses ask for then in verse 18, and how did the LORD respond in verse 19?

*Answer here*

b. As *no man shall see* the LORD’s *face and live*, what did He tell Moses in verses 21-22?

*Answer here*

c. What would Moses see and not see when the LORD *will take away* His *hand*?

*Answer here*

**DAY THREE -** Read Exodus 34:1-9 (Moses Makes New Tablets for the LORD to Write On)

1. What special instructions did the LORD give to Moses as he began his second forty days and forty nights on the mountain with Him in verses 1-3?

*Answer here*

2. As Moses did what *the LORD had commanded*, how did He meet him in verse 5?

*Answer here*

3. As the LORD passed before him, what did He proclaim in verses 6-7?

*Answer here*

4. What does Psalm 103:6-9 say about these attributes of God?

*Answer here*

5. Back in Exodus 34:8-9, how did Moses react to these words of the LORD?

*Answer here*

**DAYS FOUR & FIVE -** Read Exodus 34:10-28 (The Covenant Renewed)

1. The LORD said to Moses: *Behold, I make a covenant.*  How did He, then, describe to Moses what He would do *before all your people* in verse 10?

*Answer here*

2. What were the people *commanded to* *observe* in verse 11?

*Answer here*

3. What were the people warned against doing in verse 12?

*Answer here*

4. Why were they told to *destroy their altars, break their sacred pillars, and cut down* their wooden images in the land where they were *going* in verses 14-16?

*Answer here*

5. What commandment is repeated in verse 17?

*Answer here*

6. How does Deuteronomy 16:16-17 sum up these three events that are annual requirements for *all the males to appear before the LORD God of Israel*?

*Answer here*

7. What do the laws of *the firstborn* and the *firstfruits of the land* have in common in Exodus 34:19 and 26?

*Answer here*

8. Why was it so important for Moses *to write these words* in verse 27?

*Answer here*

9. What do Exodus 17:14 and 24:4 have in common with 34:27?

*Answer here*

10. What information do we receive from Exodus 34:28?

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** Even though we know that Scripture everywhere teaches that salvation is not on the basis of works, it consistently teaches that God’s judgment is on the basis of deeds. Why then is it still just as important today for us to not *despise the riches of* God’s *goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering* as it was for the children of Israel in the wilderness? Read Romans 2:4-11.

*Answer here*