

LESSON 12

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Moses' Audacious Request

Lesson Text: Exodus 33:12-23

Related Scriptures: Isaiah 43:1-7; John 1:1-5, 14-18; Romans 4:13-25

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**GOLDEN TEXT: "And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live" (Exodus 33:20).**

**Exodus 33:12** And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people; and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

**13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.**

14 And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.

**15 And he said unto him, if thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.**

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? Is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

**17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.**

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

**19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.**

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

**21 And the LORD said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:**

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be

seen.

### **PRACTICAL POINTS**

1. God reveals His plans in His way and on His schedule (Ex. 33:12).
2. Prayer is more about seeking to know the God who blesses us than about seeking His blessings (vs. 13).
3. God's presence with believers identifies them as His own people (vss. 14-16).
4. God's plan for each of His people is that they seek His glory and His presence in their daily lives (vss. 17-18).
5. God reveals His goodness through His works in and around His people (vs. 19-20).
6. At present, sin blocks people from seeing God as He really is (vss. 21-23).