# Transformed in His Presence

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<sup>7</sup> Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, 8 will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? 9 For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory.

#### 1 Corinthians 3:10-11

<sup>10</sup> Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. <sup>11</sup> For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

#### 2 Corinthians 3:12-14

<sup>12</sup> Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, <sup>13</sup> not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end.

<sup>14</sup> But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away.

#### 2 Corinthians 3:15-16

<sup>15</sup> Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

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#### Unveiled Faces

As believers we have a clear understanding of God's Word (14-17)

As believers we are invited to an intimate relationship with God. (Ex 3:11; Rev 3:20; 2 Cor 3:12-13)

# Beholding the Glory

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord... (18)

God's Glory: His splendor, brightness, greatness, His reputation and honor.

The MANIFEST presentation of God's infinite and majestic nature.

# Beholding the Glory

God made the way for us to enter His presence.

<sup>16</sup> But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. (2 Cor 3:16-17)

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Heb 4:14)

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## Being Transformed

Moses was "transformed" in God's presence, but the transformation would fade. (2 Cor 3:7,13)

We are being transformed into HIS IMAGE. (Rom 8:29, 2 Cor 3:18)

- -Clear Goal: HIS IMAGE
- -NOT fading Ever Increasing...

## Closing Questions

- Have you turned to God and believed?
- Are you pursuing HIS PRESENCE?
- Are you seeing ever increasing changes in your life? Are you looking more like Jesus each day?