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LESSON 52 EXODUS 33:1-23

In Exodus 32, the scene shifts back to the people as they have grown impatient with the return of Moses from the mountain top. Exodus 32-35:3 describes the breaking of the covenant and subsequent renewal.

- 1. Chapter 33:1-3 though perhaps separated in time from Exodus 32:34-35 is a continuation and/or repetition of those verses with greater detail.
- What does the detail perhaps lend to the narrative?
- What is the added change at the end of v3?
- What may be demonstrated by the change?
- 2. In vv4-6, we see the response of the people. What is their response and why and how long did it last?
- 3. Vv7-11 describes the communication between Moses and the LORD.
- What seems to be different concerning location, in two different ways?
- What is significant concerning the name and location in v7 or not?
- What is the time frame and why would it be significant or not?
- What is described in v8?
- What is re-introduced in v9 and how does it heighten the narrative?

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- What is the difference between v8 and v10?
- What are the two relationships highlighted in v11?
- 4. Vv12-17 return to Moses' intercession and/or attempt to reconcile the people to Jehovah. What is the track of Moses' arguments/plea?
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- What is Moses' request in v13? There may be some repetition to the answers above.
- What is the LORD's response in v14?
- What is Moses' request in v16? There may be some repetition to the answers above. Although here from Moses' perspective, how does this speak to how God looks at Israel? Is that still true?
- What is the LORD's response in v17?

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- 5. Moses is emboldened by the responses to make a further request in v18. Vv19-23 give the initial response.
- What is the nature of the request?
- In answering in v19, what are the outstanding characteristics which will be displayed? What is the other characteristic that is not explicit here but more so in Rom 9:15?
- What is the warning in v20?
- How does the warning in v20 line up with v11 or Ex 24:11, for example?
- In vv21-22, how did the LORD say that his favor would be accomplished?
- 6. How does this passage help you with prayer? With worship?