

The Glory of God

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I. Introduction.

- A. God is a God of infinite glory that cannot be contained—it must be revealed.
- B. The creature should worship the Creator. In order for this to happen, God must reveal Himself. (Romans 1)
- C. Text: Exodus 3:2.

II. God's glory was His goodness. (Exodus 33)

- A. In order to protect Moses and show him His glory, God shielded His face before Moses.
- B. The revelation was given to Moses in order that God might ultimately reveal Himself to His people. (Exodus 34)
- C. Moses was not able to enter the tabernacle because of the glory of God present there. (Exodus 40)
- D. The revelation of the glory of God was so powerful that the people were unable to stand. (I Kings 8)

III. God withdraws His glory when the people are disobedient. (Ezekiel 8, 9:18)

- A. Jesus became the next channel, whom God revealed Himself to men. (John 1)
- B. Even Jesus' glory had to be veiled in order to protect man. The glory of Christ was revealed at the Transfiguration.
- C. Jesus asked that the Father restore His full glory at the crucifixion.

IV. Believers are in the world to create a thirst for the glory of God—they are salt.

V. In the end, Christ will again be the channel by which God reveals Himself. (Revelation 10:1)

Application questions:

1. What is the glory of God?

2. How can the response of people affect God's self-revelation?

3. What can you do this week to reach out and better live in light of God's glory? Explain.
