

## Knowledge of His Glory

**His Glory:** two forms (understand distinction)

1. Physical Manifestation (glory cloud, gold dust, fragrance)

(2Ch 7:1-3) <sup>1</sup>When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house. <sup>3</sup>When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the LORD, saying: "For He is **good**, for His **mercy** endures forever."

His Glory will be Manifest at His 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming (Ezek 43:2, Mt 24:30)

2. Revealing of His Heart (Ex 33:18-19, 34:6-7) - **Goodness, Mercy, Truth**

**His Plan:** context - Moses' intercession when God would have destroyed Israel

(Nu 14:17-21) <sup>17</sup>"And now, I pray, let the power of my Lord be great, just as You have spoken, saying, <sup>18</sup>"The LORD is longsuffering and abundant in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He by no means clears the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation." <sup>19</sup>"Pardon the iniquity of this people, I pray, according to the greatness of Your mercy, just as You have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now." <sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said: "I have pardoned, according to your word; <sup>21</sup>"but truly, as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD

Moses appeals to His greatness using Ex 34:6-7

His plan to fill the earth with His glory requires His people - express His Heart

(Hab 2:14) <sup>14</sup>For the earth will be filled with the **knowledge** of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

context of chapter - pride, greed, violence, covetousness, idolatry, immorality  
the Knowledge of His Glory (Heart) is the Remedy for every social problem

**His People:** committed to expressing the Knowledge of His Glory

(2Co 4:6-7) <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

Treasure is Knowledge of His **Goodness, Mercy, Truth**

found in continually gazing at the face of Jesus (six verses earlier)

(2Co 3:18) <sup>18</sup>But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. (context - Moses shining face)

first response to any problem - gaze at Jesus for His **Goodness, Mercy, Truth**

**His Process:** laboring toward Maturity in His Glory (Prayer)

(Col 1:27-29) <sup>27</sup>To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the **hope** of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect (complete, mature) in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>To this end I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily.

(Ga 4:19) My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you,  
Maturity = ability to Manifest His **Goodness, Mercy, Truth**

Navigating the Swirl

word: this is a test - seats (Lk 14:7-11)

Wisdom test (Jam 3:13-18) - more about Character than Information

correct response - Goodness, Mercy, Truth

Rachel: Speculation is the seedbed of Accusation