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<p>⁴And when the people heard this bad news, they mourned, and no one put on his ornaments.</p> <p>⁵For the LORD had said to Moses, “Say to the children of Israel, ‘You <i>are</i> a stiff-necked people. I could come up into your midst in one moment and consume you. Now therefore, take off your ornaments, that I may know what to do to you.’”</p> <p>⁶So the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by Mount Horeb.</p>	<p>Repentance:</p> <p>Fruits of Repentance:</p> <p>Exodus 12:35-36 Now the children of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, and they had asked from the Egyptians articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing. ³⁶And the Lord had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they granted them <i>what they requested</i>. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.</p>

<p>⁷Moses took his tent and pitched it outside the camp, far from the camp, and called it the tabernacle of meeting. And it came to pass <i>that</i> everyone who sought the LORD went out to the tabernacle of meeting which <i>was</i> outside the camp. ⁸So it was, whenever Moses went out to the tabernacle, <i>that</i> all the people rose, and each man stood <i>at</i> his tent door and watched Moses until he had gone into the tabernacle. ⁹And it came to pass, when Moses entered the tabernacle, that the pillar of cloud descended and stood <i>at</i> the door of the tabernacle, and <i>the LORD</i> talked with Moses. ¹⁰All the people saw the pillar of cloud standing <i>at</i> the tabernacle door, and all the people rose and worshiped, each man <i>in</i> his tent door. ¹¹So the LORD spoke to Moses face to face (פָּנִים אֶל-פָּנִים), as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tabernacle.</p>	<p>Face to Face Genesis 32:30 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: “For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.” Deuteronomy 5:2-4 “The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. ³“The Lord did not make this covenant with our fathers, but with us, those who <i>are</i> here today, all of us who <i>are</i> alive. ⁴“The Lord talked with you face to face on the mountain from the midst of the fire. Deuteronomy 34:10 But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, Judges 6:22 Now Gideon perceived that He <i>was</i> the Angel of the LORD. So Gideon said, “Alas, O Lord GOD! For I have seen the Angel of the LORD face to face.” 1 Corinthians 13:12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.</p>
<p>“Although Jehovah showed Himself to Moses in some peculiar form of manifestation, He never appeared in His own essential glory, but only in such a mode as human weakness could bear” (K & D p.234).</p>	<p>Numbers 12:6-8 ⁶Then He said, “Hear now My words: If there is a prophet among you, <i>I</i>, the Lord, make Myself known to him in a vision; I speak to him in a dream. ⁷ Not so with My servant Moses; He <i>is</i> faithful in all My house. ⁸ I speak with him face to face, Even plainly, and not in dark sayings; And he sees the form of the Lord (וַתִּמַּן יְהוָה). Why then were you not afraid to speak against My servant Moses?” Ex 24:10-11 The elders saw the God of Israel.</p>

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Yet You have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found grace in My sight.’ ¹³Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, **show me now Your way**, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this nation *is* Your people.”

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¹⁵Then he said to Him, “**If Your Presence (פָּנָי) does not go with us**, do not bring us up from here. ¹⁶For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except **You go with us?**

So we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who *are* upon the face of the earth.”

¹⁷So the LORD said to Moses, “**I will also do this thing that you have spoken**; for you have found grace in My sight, and I know you by name.”

A distinction is made between

- A. My Angel **before you...**
- B. ...whom You will send **with me.**

- A. God knows **Moses** by name (and he has found grace in His sight)
--as my instrument to do my will
- B. without God going with the **Israelites**
 - 1. Are they His people (known by name)?
 - 2. Have the people found grace in His Sight?

The LORD's way = Exodus 34:5-7

God Promises to go

- 1. With Moses {you} (v. 12-14)
- 2. With Israelites {us} (v. 15-17)

Are we separate from every nation or not?

The Face/Presence is the Angel of the LORD (Ex 23:20-21ff).

Isaiah 63:9 In all their affliction He was afflicted, And **the Angel of His Presence (וַיִּלְאֶה פָּנָיו)** saved them; In His love and in His pity He redeemed them; And He bore them and carried them All the days of old.

<p>¹⁸And he said, “Please, show me Your glory.”</p> <p>¹⁹Then He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.”</p> <p>²⁰But He said, “You cannot see My face (אֲנִי); for no man shall see Me, and live.”</p> <p>²¹And the LORD said, “Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. ²²“So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. ²³“Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back (אֲחֲרַי); but My face (אֲנִי) shall not be seen.”</p>	<p>Glory –</p> <p>Matthew 17:1-3 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; ²and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. ³And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him.</p> <p>Matthew 18:10 “Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven.</p> <p>2 Peter 1:4 ...by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption <i>that is</i> in the world through lust.</p>
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