

GO FOR THE GLORY

Exodus 33:13-23

As I began to prepare for this message, the Lord dealt specifically with me concerning the Glory of God.

The Glory of God is not just his splendor and beauty but the total sum of who he is.

His power, his peace, his authority, his goodness, his mercy, his holiness, his love and every other attribute of his character.

Once a person has had a real encounter with God, nothing less will do.

That's what happened to Moses. He had recently spent 40 days in the presence of God. He received the Ten Commandments, he saw the burning bush that consumed not and when he came down from the mountain his face shined to the point that he had to wear a veil. This request that he had made was the greatest and most unique request that any man has ever made. It was unique because he had seen God work as he crossed the red sea. He had seen God bring water from a rock and provide food in the desert. He had seen the pillar of fire and the cloud that led the people of Israel yet he says shew me thy glory?

Why is it that people are not seeking the fullness of God anymore? It's because the spirit of religion has stepped in and told us that we don't need all of that any more but going to church is enough.

It has told us that just coming to church occasionally is ok. That being on a board is enough. That paying your tithes is enough. But I want to encourage you today to go for the Glory.

Don't be satisfied with a Sunday morning touch. Don't be satisfied with just having your name on the church roll.....go for the Glory.

Is there anybody that wants more of God? Is there anybody who wants to fulfill you purpose and destiny? Go for the Glory.

When you make up your mind to go for the Glory, know that the enemy will try to distract you and do all he can to hinder you from pursuing Christ in a greater way.

You have to have a real hunger for God to experience his glory.

Blessed is he that hungers and thirsts after righteousness for he shall be filled.

(People are hungry for everything else but God).

When you have lost your passion for God, you become lukewarm and no longer seek his glory. How do you get the mindset again to crave God like Moses did?

Revelation 2:5 gives us the answer.

God sent a word to the church at Ephesus concerning the fact that although they were working and going through the motions, they had lost their first love and passion for him. He said, *"remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent and do the first works: or else I will come unto thee quickly and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."* (Revelation 2:5)

The first thing you do when trying to restore your passion for the glory of God is: (1) REMEMBER. Begin to reflect on the great things that he has done for you in the past. Remember how he saved you. Remember how he healed you and delivered you. Remember his grace and mercy and how he has been there for you helping you and giving you great victories. REMEMBER!!

After you begin to remember, you repent. Repent for your sins and your shortcomings. Repent for your sins of omission and sins of commission. Get focused on God again and continue to seek his face. After remembering and repenting, you re-do. You begin to do the things you did in the past such as reading your word, prayer and worshipping him like never before and when you do those things you will find yourself hungry once again for the glory of God.

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Remember, Repent and Redo.