



PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE—YOUTH

Lesson 6: Moses' Radiant Face—Exodus 34

ENCOUNTER—Community Discussion

After reading the passage, take time to journal through the questions below. Don't feel like you have to answer all these questions. Wrestle with the text, and be prepared to share with your community.

How is this God's story?

How is this others' story?

How is this my story?

How is this the world's story?

PRAYER

*What shall I return to the Lord
for all his goodness to me?*

*I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord.*

*I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.*

*Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful servants.*

*Truly I am your servant, Lord;
I serve you just as my mother did;
you have freed me from my chains.*

*I will sacrifice a thank offering to you
and call on the name of the Lord.*

*I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord—
in your midst, Jerusalem.*

Praise the Lord.

(Psalm 116:12-19)

WEEKLY PRACTICE

You may have heard a children's song called "This Little Light of Mine" that's often sung in churches. It's a simple tune, but talks about letting the light of God shine. Think about the following as you go about your daily life this week:

- Is my speech full of light or darkness about who Jesus is to me?
Example: Am I hurting my credibility by laughing at or telling the wrong kind of jokes?
- Are my actions shining a light into the darkness?
Example: When someone makes me mad, do you react out of anger?
- Am I intentionally seeking the presence of God, and trying to bring others into His presence with me?
Example: Do I make the most of opportunities to actually invite people to Jesus versus merely letting them know I believe in Him or go to church?
- When was the last time I felt the "glow" of God's presence in my life?

The "glow" of God isn't a spiritual high but an affirmation of faithfulness. Be encouraged to seek Him and His presence constantly. Be a light to all around you.

BECOMING MY STORY

Psalm 4

Matthew 17

Spend time this week reading and journaling through the above scriptures. In the context of Exodus 34, consider the following questions:

What does it mean for me to spend genuine time with God today?

What is the real point of me spending time with God anyway?

Consider other passages you might know related to Exodus 34 and read them this week, journaling as you go.