Grace and Truth

John 1:14-18; Exodus 19; 32:18 – 34:8

The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him. (John 1:14, 16-18, NASB)

Moses had been given a more complete revelation of God than any person ever had. At Sinai he had experienced Almighty God with his physical senses through lightning and thunder, a thick cloud, earthquake, smoke, and fire. He had heard God's voice and had spoken with Him. But when Moses asked to see more of God's glory, to know more fully God's greatness and presence, how did God reveal Himself? He showed Himself as grace and truth: unfailing love and absolute dependability. When we look at Jesus the Son and His human life among us, what do we see? Grace and truth: unfailing love and absolute dependability. Jesus is always good, always compassionate, always gracious. His mercy is never strained. It never gets tired. It is never pushed too far. Even as they tortured and killed Jesus, He forgave them.

Jesus is truth. Every word is true. Every action is true. We can absolutely depend on everything He is, everything He says, and everything He does.

Jesus is the Son of the Father: unfailing love and absolute dependability.

> If we realized the tremendous treasures that come to us in Jesus Christ, we would let nothing distract us from Him.

Hymn: Jesus, Full of Truth and Grace

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