

The Meek Man and the Meeting Place

Anchor Scripture

Exodus 33:7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp.

Exodus 33:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend.

The Meekness That Makes the Man

Numbers 12:3 (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

Hebrews 11:24-26 By faith Moses... refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God... Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt.

The Moment That Moved Him

Exodus 33:3 I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the way.

Exodus 33:5 Ye are a stiffnecked people: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee.

Exodus 33:2 And I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite...

The Mourning That Stripped Them

Exodus 33:4 And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on him his ornaments.

Exodus 33:6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.

Exodus 35:22 They... brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold... an offering of gold unto the LORD.

The Movement Outside the Camp

Exodus 33:7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp.

John 15:15 I call you not servants... but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

Hebrews 11:6 He that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

The Meaning of the Distance

Numbers 1:46 Even all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

Joshua 3:4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it.

2 Corinthians 6:17 Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

The Merits of the Meeting Place

Exodus 33:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend.

Exodus 33:14 My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.

Exodus 40:34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

The Mystery Made Plain in the Master

Mark 4:34 When they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples.

Mark 4:11 Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all these things are done in parables.

Mark 6:31 Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while.

A Final Word

Jeremiah 29:13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.