The Message Notes
Series: Biblical Human History
Message: *God's Presence*
Scripture: Exodus 33:12-16
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Review: Biblical Human History

1. God is **Spirit**. God created **spiritual beings** in the **heavenly** realm. Spiritual beings **assemble** with God for **worship** and to hear God's **plans** and **directives** (Job 38:4-7).

2. **Lucifer,** an angel, **rebelled** against God's **authority** and was **removed** from heaven along with his followers. Lucifer, now named **Satan,** and his followers **wage war** against God in heaven and on earth (Ephesians 6:10-12).

3. God created **Adam,** a human being, from particles taken from the **ground** and gave him **life** from His **breath** (Spirit). Human beings are **trichotomy** (spirit, soul, and body) (Genesis 2:7).

4. God created a **woman** from Adam. Adam and Eve were to **assemble** with God in His Garden located east of Eden to be in **His presence** for worship and to hear God's plans and directives (Genesis 2).

5. God's purpose for Adam and Eve was to be **fruitful** and **multiply** from the **Garden**, so they could **fill** the earth with God's **image.** They were to **govern** the earth through **consecration** and **cultivation**, so they could maintain God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven (Genesis 1:26-31, 2:15-17).

6. Adam and Eve **sinned** and was **removed** from God's **presence**. Human beings' relationship with God is now broken. Through Adam's seed, human beings are born in **sin** and in a state of **death** or separation from God (Genesis 3).

7. God had an **eternal plan** to **redeem** human beings and bring all things back under His **authority** in heaven and earth through Christ (Genesis 3:15, Ephesians 1:9).

8. God called Abraham and promised him **land** and He would make him into a **great nation**. He would **prosper** and **protect** Abraham and his nation. All the nations on earth will be blessed through him (Genesis 12:1-3).

9. God **called** Moses to **deliver** the children of Israel from Egypt. Moses delivered the children of Israel and established the **Levitical priesthood.** God instructed Moses to make Him a sanctuary so He could dwell in the midst of His people (Exodus 25:8).

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1. God's **presences** with **Moses**:

   - **Know** God and not His **deeds** - **v13.** If it is true that you look favorably on me, let me **know your ways** so I may **understand** you **more fully** and continue to enjoy your favor. And remember that this nation is your **very own people.**" Psalms 103:7

   - **Do not move** without His **presence** - **v15.** 'Then Moses said, "if you don't personally go with us, **don't make us leave this place**.

   - God's presence **sets us apart** - **v16**. How will anyone know that you look favorably on me-on me and on your people-if you don't go with us? For your **presence** among us sets **your people and me apart** from all other people on the earth.

2. God's **presence** means He is **present** with us

   - **Omnipresence** – God is **everywhere.** You are not aware of Him being present (Psalms 139:7-10).

   - **Manifested presence** – God is **here.** God's manners, mind or attributes are either heard, felt, or seen (Daniel 3:24-25).

   - **Inner presence** – **God is in you**. God's Spirit **embodies**, so you can take upon His manners, mind, or attributes to make His presence known to others (Galatians 5:22-23).

3. God's **presence** is to be **sought after (worship) - 2 Chronicles 7:14**

"**Religion** is an **outward** observance of God. You observe the rituals of the Christian faith, but you are **void** of His presence. The relationship is **transactional**."

"**Relationship** with God is the **embodiment** of His **Spirit**. You **meet** with God through the Holy Spirit to be in His **presence**, John 4:24. The relationship is **transformational**."

CT: How are we to seek God presence in worship?
   - Seek His **face** and not His **hand**
   - **Repent** of **sin** and **turn to God**
   - **Commune** with God's Spirit in your inner man (spirit) to be strengthen, Ephesians 3:16

 "God decides when He wants to make His presence known to us."