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## ***The Glory Of God: Don't Be Afraid***

### **Moses Isn't Standing In The Light, But Outside It**

**Exodus 3:5,6b** - *"Do not come any closer," the LORD warned. "Take off your sandals, for you are standing on holy ground...When Moses heard this, he covered his face because he was afraid to look at God.*

### **God's Distant, Even Though He's Close**

**2 Corinthians 3:18** - *And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. NIV*

### **We Get To See God's Glory Without Any Veil Covering Us**

### **When We Experience God's Glory, We Begin To Reflect His Character In Our Lives**

**Luke 2:8-20** - *That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, <sup>10</sup> but the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. <sup>11</sup> The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! <sup>12</sup> And you will recognize him by this sign: You will find a baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup> Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of others—the armies of heaven—praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased." <sup>15</sup> When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "Let's go to Bethlehem! Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."<sup>16</sup> They hurried to the village and found Mary and Joseph. And there was the baby, lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> After seeing him, the shepherds told everyone what had happened and what the angel had said to them about this child. <sup>18</sup> All who heard the shepherds' story were astonished, <sup>19</sup> but Mary kept all these things in her heart and thought about them often. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds went back to their flocks, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen. It was just as the angel had told them.*

**The Shepherds See God's Glory In All That It Is**

**No Longer Is There Any Distance Between Man And God's Glory**

**Where The Glory Of God Appears, God Himself Is Present**

**God Has Come To Dwell With Mankind In A Way Never Seen Before**

**God Starting A New Chapter In The Relationship With His People**

**Isaiah 9:6** - *For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

**Luke 2:9** - *Today a Savior, who is Messiah the Lord, was born for you in the city of David. HCSB*

**Isaiah 9:2** - *The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine.*

**The Light Is Your Purpose**