

The Back Parts of God

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Exodus 33:13-23 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation *is* thy people.

(14)

And he said, My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest.

(15)

And he said unto him, If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.

(16)

For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? *is it*

not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that *are*

upon the face of the earth.

(17)

And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

(18)

And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

(19)

And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.

(20)

And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

(21)

And the LORD said, Behold, *there is*

a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

(22)

And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and

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will cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

(23)

And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be seen.

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