

Ex 32-33 golden calf, God destroy, Moses appeal, no presence, Moses appeal  
 (Ex 33:14-16) And He said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." Then he said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here. For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except You go with us? So we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who are upon the face of the earth."

- Personal: His Presence is our Rest (Heb 4 - superior to Sabbath, promised land rest) (Ps 31:20) You shall hide them in the secret place of Your presence from the plots of man  
 (Ac 3:19) Repent... so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,
- Corporate: His Presence sets us apart (not doctrine) *ex: teen in worship*
- It's Biblical to regularly and aggressively Pursue His Presence. How?

### Understanding His Presence

- Omni Presence  
 (Ps 139:7-8) Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?  
 If I ascend into heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there.  
 (Col 1:17) And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist (are held together).  
 strong force (Higgs)
- Indwelling Presence  
 (1Co 3:16) Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?  
 distinction (Jn 14:21-23)
- Unified Presence  
 (Mt 18:20) "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."
- Experiential Presence  
 (Ps 16:11) In Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
- Ever Increasing Presence  
 (Jas 4:8) Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.  
 Problem: limited expectations, easily satisfied  
*ex: presence, power glory* (Ps 63:1-2)  
 Moses - presence to glory (Ex 33:18, Ex 34)  
 Presence leads to Kingdom Activity (Jn 15:5) "Knight and Day" (Tom Cruise, Cameron Diaz)

### How do we Pursue His Presence?

- Personal: practice entering His Rest (Ps 31:20)  
(Ps 140:13) The upright shall dwell in Your presence.  
(Ps 91:1) He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- Corporate: Worship  
Elisha, Jehoram, Jehoshaphat  
(2Ki 3:15) "But now bring me a musician." Then it happened, when the musician played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.  
Worship leads to the activity of God. Why?  
Because Worship draws His Presence.  
(Ps 22:3) But You are holy, enthroned in the praises of Israel. (inhabit, dwell in midst of)

### Rebuilt Tabernacle of David (Act 15:16-17/Amos 9)

- not Tabernacle of Moses or Temple of Solomon. Why?  
surrounded with worshippers (24/7) instead of veil
- Antiphonal Worship: Is 6:1-3, rebuilt temple/wall (Neh 12),  
Bangor Valley, Ireland (550) ~ Valley of Angels

### Understand what we are doing when we worship - creating dwelling place for His Presence

### We can carry His Presence

(2Co 2:14) Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.  
ex: *pet* - must frequently "roll around" in His Presence