

Time with God (Exodus 33:7-23)

Basic Training – Part 1

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2 Timothy 2:3-4 (NIV) Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs--he wants to please his commanding officer.

1 Timothy 4:7-8 (NIV) Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come

1. Take time _____ with God

Exodus 33:7 (NIV) Now Moses used to take a tent and pitch it outside the camp some distance away, calling it the "tent of meeting." Anyone inquiring of the LORD would go to the tent of meeting outside the camp.

1A. Your time with God impacts _____

Exodus 33:9-10 (NIV) As Moses went into the tent, the pillar of cloud would come down and stay at the entrance, while the LORD spoke with Moses. Whenever the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance to the tent, they all stood and worshiped, each at the entrance to his tent.

1B. God will _____ to you

Exodus 33:11 (NIV) The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

2. Seek to _____ from God

Exodus 33:13 (NIV) If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

2A. Ask God for His _____ in your life

Exodus 33:15-16 (NIV) Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

2B. God will _____ those prayers

Exodus 33:17 (NIV) And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

3. Pray to see God's _____

Exodus 33:18 (NIV) Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."

3A. God will _____ Himself

Exodus 33:19 (NIV) And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

3B. There is always _____ of God to see

Exodus 33:22-23 (NIV) When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

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Intro. In what ways are believers soldiers of Christ Jesus (2 Timothy 2:3)?

What does it mean for a spiritual soldier to not get involved in civilian affairs (2 Timothy 2:4)?

What does the command “train yourself to be godly” require of us (1 Timothy 4:7-8)?

Why is spending time with God important for a believer?

1A. Why did Moses pitch the tent of meeting outside of the camp (Exodus 33:7)?

1B. In what ways does a person’s time with God impact others (Exodus 33:9-10)?

1C. What do you think the Scripture means when it says that the Lord spoke to Moses “as a man speaks with his friend” (Exodus 33:11)?

1D. How can you as a believer pitch a “tent of meeting” to meet with the Lord on a daily basis?

2A. Why did Moses ask the Lord to teach him His ways (Exodus 33:13)?

2B. What were the reasons that Moses insisted that the Lord’s presence go with him and the people of Israel (Exodus 33:15-16)?

2C. Why did God answer Moses’ prayer requests (Exodus 33:17)?

2D. For what purpose in your life do you need to learn God’s ways and experience His presence?

3A. What did Moses’ request “show me your glory” mean (Exodus 33:18, John 2:11)?

3B. How did God reveal His glory to Moses (Exodus 33:19)?

3C. Why did God need to cover Moses with His hand when He passed by (Exodus 33:20-23)?

3D. How was Moses impacted by seeing God’s glory (Exodus 34:29-35)?

3E. How does seeing God’s glory change us (2 Corinthians 3:18)?

3F. In what ways do you and our church need to yearn to see God’s glory?