



Cuyahoga
Valley Church

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 6.16.24

Exodus 34: 29-35 // Rick Duncan

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip
Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

- ① In his sermon, Pastor Rick mentioned a self-assessment tool that he built utilizing Exodus 34 (our passage from today). Which of these best describes you and in which do you see room for yourself to grow?

I show mercy, grace, and patience to others, especially when they make mistakes and let me down.

People often feel encouraged as well as challenged after spending time with me, sensing the presence of grace and truth as we interact.

I demonstrate love and loyalty in my relationships by keeping my promises and commitments.

Though I'm very forgiving, others know that I am also just, advocating for what is right even when it's difficult.

I help people have hope in uncertain circumstances because they feel valued in my presence.

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

Create Context (5 min): Watch the sermon recap video [here](#).

Study & Discussion (25 min)

- ② Read Psalm 27:1, John 1:5, James 1:17, John 8:12 and Numbers 6:25. What do these passages tell us about what God is like?
- ③ In his sermon, Pastor Rick said that "what I look at, I will eventually look like." What do you think you are tempted to look at more than you look at Jesus (Your phone? Social media? The television? Your work? Your family?), and what do you think might need to change in your life for you to start looking more and more like Jesus in a significant way?



④ Read 2 Corinthians 3:12-18. We'll use this passage to answer the next few questions.

- Read Exodus 34:30. Moses veiled his face because the Israelites were afraid to come near him as his face shone with the glory of God. Look again at 2 Corinthians 3:13-14. Paul writes that not only was Moses' face veiled, but the Israelites were veiled from understanding the glory of God. Paul states that only Christ can take away this veil of ignorance like the one the Israelites had. What did it look like in your life when Christ "took away the veil of ignorance" and you came to know Him in a saving way? What was your life like before this happened?
- Read Hebrews 3:1-6. What does this passage tell us about the similarities, and the differences, between Moses and Jesus?
- Read 2 Corinthians 3:18 once more. Notice how Paul writes that those who know Christ are "being transformed" and that this "comes from the Lord." Why are these statements significant when we think about the gift of our salvation, and when we think about our sanctification (the process by which we become more like Christ)? Do we become Christlike in our own power, or by the power of someone else?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Knowing the Bible: Exodus - <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/course/knowning-the-bible-exodus/>

TGC Course:Introduction to Exodus - <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/course/introduction-to-exodus/>

PRAYER

Who do you know who just cannot yet see the glory and the face of Jesus? How should we pray for those in our lives who do not have eyes to see?

How can we pray for ourselves to more and more behold the face of Christ – that we will love to look at and look more like Jesus?

APPLY

In his sermon, Pastor Rick said, "If you want to behold Christ better – if you want to shine, if you want to be a person others really want to be around – then ask the Lord..."

- What should I stop doing?
- What should I start doing?
- What should I read, watch, listen to in order to behold Christ and be transformed into His likeness?

Take some time to pray over these questions on your own, asking the Lord to reveal to you the answers and to help you as you seek to live for Him.



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EQUIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Please take a moment to share these announcements with your group.

More information on each item can be found by scanning the QR codes.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Women's Night Of Worship & Prayer

Join us for an evening of fellowship, worship, and prayer. There's something special about the bond between women of faith. Share stories, laughter, and encouragement as we build each other up in love. This event isn't just for those already within our church family; it's a welcoming space for all women seeking spiritual nourishment and connection. Registration is NOT required and childcare will be provided.



CVCKIDS

Sports Camp Registration - NOW OPEN!

CVCKids is hosting their annual Sports Camp the week of July 22-26, 2024. This is one of their largest events of the year where kids from Kindergarten to 7th grade can attend and participate in a variety of sports. Options include basketball, martial arts, soccer, cake decorating, and more. You can register your kids [HERE](#) for either morning or evening sessions. If you'd like to volunteer, you can click [HERE](#).

