

The background is a deep blue gradient with a subtle pattern of white dots. On the left side, there are several concentric circles and a large circular scale with degree markings from 140 to 260. Some of the circles have arrows indicating a clockwise direction. The text is positioned on the right side of the image.

20 / 20 VISION

EX 34:6-8

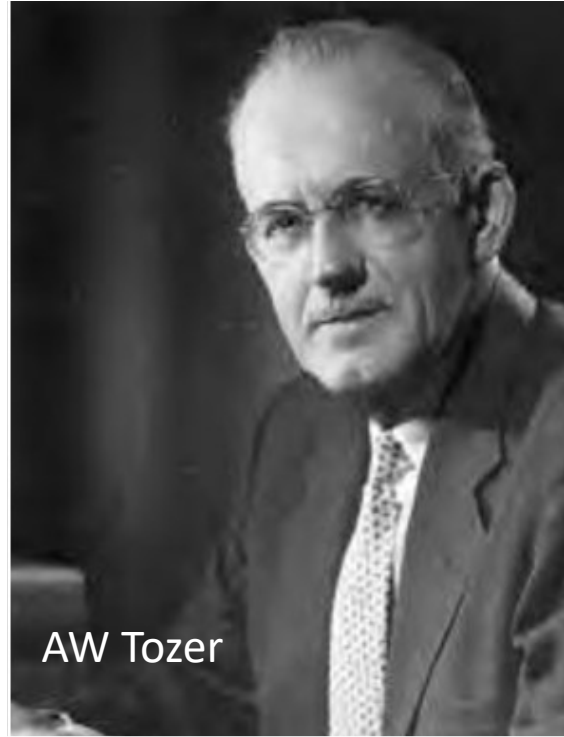
Video on Awareness Test

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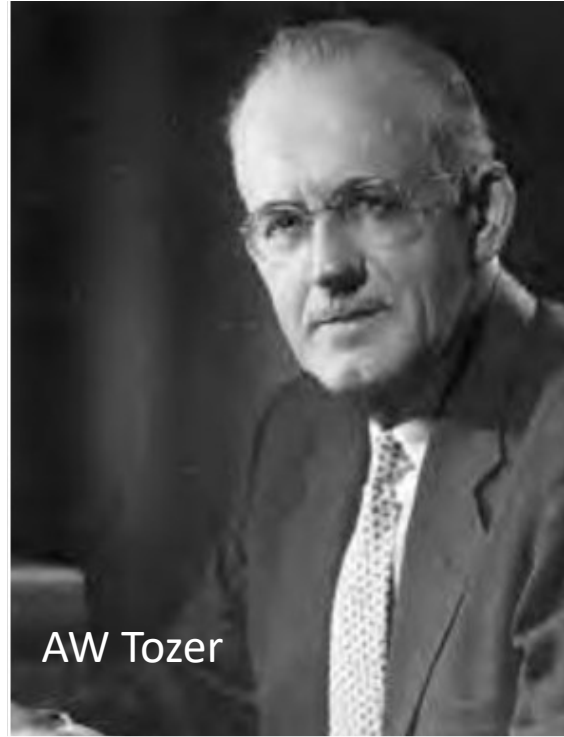
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AW Tozer

“What **comes into our minds** when we think about God is the most important thing about us. ...

Worship is pure or base as the worshiper entertains high or low thoughts of God...”



AW Tozer

...the most portentous (important) fact about any man is not what he at a given time may say or do, but **what he in his deep heart conceives God to be like.**

Ex 34:

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Context of Ex 34:6-7



After the worship of the golden calf – needed to see something for worship in C32.



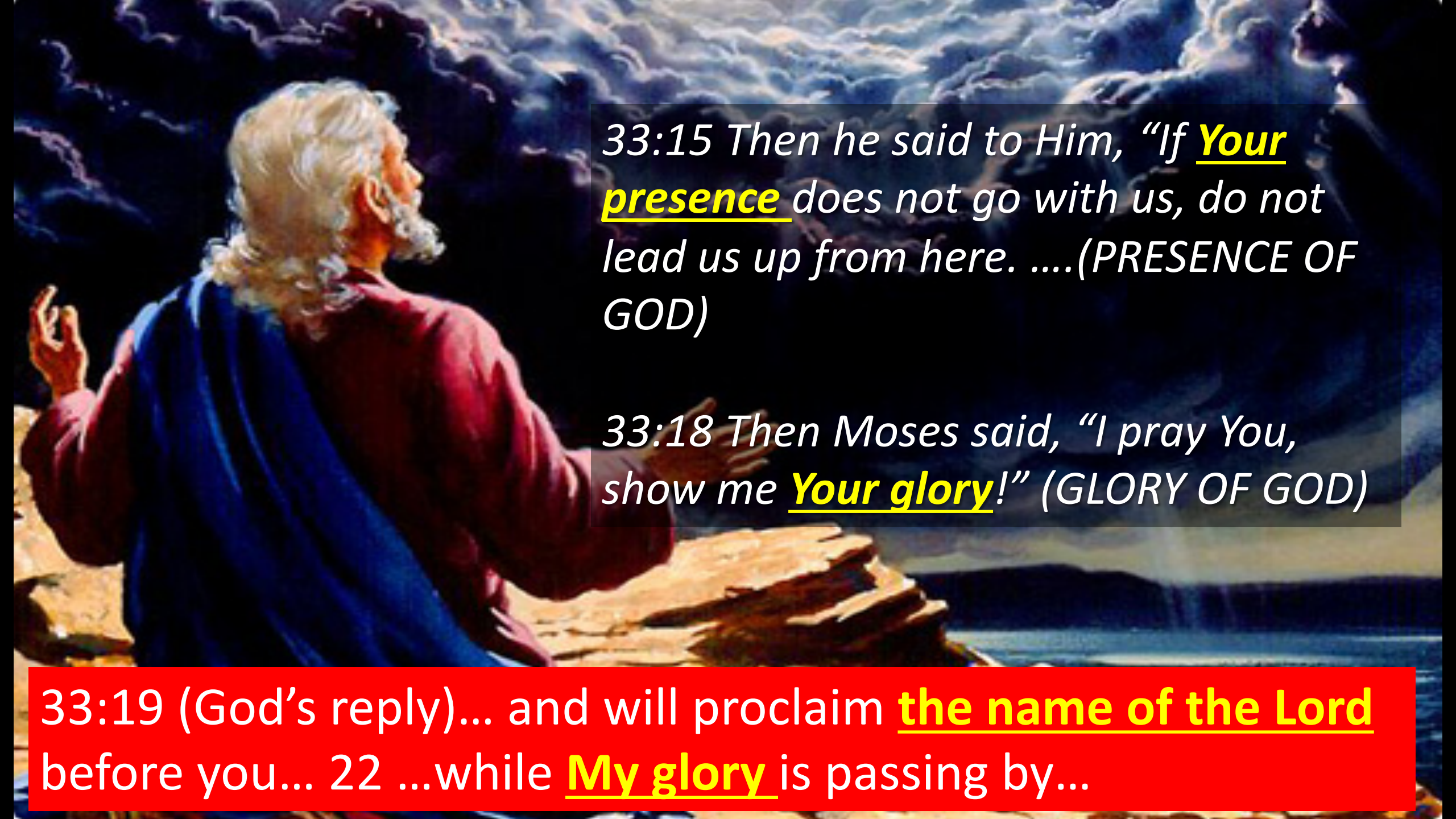
After the punishment on those who sinned in C32.



Moses pleaded and interceded in C33.

What did he ask for?



A dramatic painting of Moses, an elderly man with a long white beard, wearing a red tunic and a blue cloak. He is shown from the back, looking up at a dark, stormy sky with swirling clouds and a bright light source on the right. His hands are raised in a gesture of prayer or awe. The scene is set on a rocky ledge overlooking a body of water.

33:15 Then he said to Him, “If Your presence does not go with us, do not lead us up from here.(PRESENCE OF GOD)

33:18 Then Moses said, “I pray You, show me Your glory!” (GLORY OF GOD)

33:19 (God’s reply)... and will proclaim the name of the Lord before you... 22 ...while My glory is passing by...

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THIS IS A POPULAR TEXT!

(About God)

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Unchanging Character of God
(His being – Compassion towards man)

Uncompromising Conduct of God
(His doing – Covenant with man)

The background of the slide is a photograph of the interior of Antelope Canyon. The walls are made of smooth, undulating sandstone, illuminated by warm, golden light that creates a series of soft, wavy patterns and deep shadows. The perspective is looking down a narrow, winding passage.

How to have 20/20 vision: we must focus on:

1. Unchanging Character of God
(Compassion towards Man)



What did the Israelites do:

C15 – complained bitter water – **bitter water turned sweet**

C16 – grumbled about food – **Manna & Meat**

C16 – disobeyed and collected more – **rotten with worms**

C17 – quarrelled with Moses over water – **water provided**

C19 – agreed to obey the Lord – **Glory came upon Mt Sinai**

C20 – 24 – agreed to obey all the commands of God

C32 – worshipped golden calf in Moses' absence

C34 – Why God still **renew the covenant** with Israelites?



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1. Unchanging Character of God (Compassion towards Man)

Some of our feelings...

I am **still struggling** with this particular sins in my life. God can't love me.

I always feel that God is angry because He is very **disappointed with** me.

I know God is love. And He will give us **just enough**.

2020 Vision of God

God **loves all sinners**. He came to die for us so that we can be freed from consequence of sin.

God is **slow to anger**. He is super patient with our shortcomings.

God **abounds in love**. He wants to gives us beyond what we ask or think.



How to have 20/20 vision: we must focus on:

1. Unchanging Character of God
(Compassion towards Man)
= To live CONFIDENTLY.

2. Uncompromising Conduct of God
(Covenant with Man)
= To live CONSCIOUSLY.



How to have 20/20 vision: we must focus on:

2. Uncompromising Conduct of God
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Joel 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the Lord,
“Return to Me with all your heart,
And with fasting, weeping and mourning;
And rend your heart and not your garments.”

Now return to the Lord your God,

For He is gracious and compassionate,
Slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness

And relenting of evil.

Jonah 4:2

He prayed to the Lord and said, “Please Lord, was not this what I said while I was still in my own country? Therefore in order to **forestall this I fled to Tarshish**, for I knew that You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, and one who relents concerning calamity.



Nahum 1:3

The Lord is slow to anger and great in power, And the Lord will by no means leave the guilty unpunished.

**In whirlwind and storm is His way,
And clouds are the dust beneath His feet.**

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2. Uncompromising Conduct of God (Covenant with Man)

Some of our thinking...

It's ok to sleep together. He'll surely forgive. **Just confess can already.**

I can enjoy life and sin now. But I'll **confess just before I die**. So I can still make it to heaven.

It's ok to be **average Christian**. Don't need to be too holy.

2020 Vision

Forgiveness is His choice. Not yours. **Repentance is needed.**

SP's famous reply – FH.
Habitual sins can **limit us** from repentance.

Be Holy is a **command**. Not an option.



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2. Uncompromising Conduct of God
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Ex20: 5 You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations **of those who hate Me**, 6 but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.



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Rom 11:22 Behold then the **kindness** and **severity** of God; to those **who fell**, **severity**, but to you, God's **kindness**, if you **continue** in His **kindness**; otherwise you also will be **cut off**.



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Focus on:

Compassion without Judgment of God
= Abused Grace

Focus on:

Judgment without Compassion of God
= Accused by Law

Focus on:

Compassion with Judgment of God
= Achieved Spiritual Growth

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Moses focused on both aspects of God

Ex 34:8 Moses made haste **to bow low** toward the earth and worship. 9 He said, “If now I have **found favor in Your sight**, O Lord, I pray, let the **Lord go along in our midst**, even though the people are so obstinate, and **pardon our iniquity and our sin**, and **take us as Your own possession.**”

Promises of God

10 Then God said, “Behold, I am going to make a covenant. Before all your people I will perform miracles which have not been produced in all the earth nor among any of the nations; and all the people among whom you live will see the working of the Lord, for it is a fearful thing that I am going to perform with you.



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