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Dear Juniors,

Welcome to *Junior Bible Class*<sup>+</sup>! We hope it helps you get excited about learning and applying God's Word!

**Here are some of the features:**

- The **Big Idea** highlights the main point of the lesson.
- **Discussion Questions** are interjected within the lesson to help you interact with the topic.
- The main ideas are **bold** in the lesson to help you see them at a glance.
- The **Big Question** addresses some doubts, fears, or concerns you may have about God, His Word, or life in general.
- **Next Steps** give you ways to be doing what the lesson is teaching throughout the week.
- **Christ Focus** shows how every lesson points to Jesus.
- **Talk About It** gives you ideas on things to discuss with trusted Christian adults in your life.

## Lesson Text: Exodus 33:12-23

"And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live" (Exodus 33:20).

**BIG IDEA:** God promises to be with Israel so that His glory will be known.

**EXODUS 33:12** And Moses said unto the Lord, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

**13** 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 show mercy on whom I will show mercy.

**20** And he said, Thine cannot 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 cleft of the rock, and 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.

## BIBLE LESSON

We all have names. Names make it easy for us to know and talk to other people. When Moses met God, he asked God what His name is. God told Moses that His name is "I AM" (see Exodus 3:13-14). In Exodus 33, we read that God knew Moses by name. God knows everyone's names.

Before God told Moses His name, the people of Israel sinned by worshipping a golden calf. God threatened to leave the Israelites. The people repented of their sins, and Moses begged God not to abandon His people. The people of their sins, and Moses begged the presence of God taken away from them. God did not want to leave His children. He forgives when they repent. When people repent, they turn away from sin. They turn from their wicked ways.

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## SEEING GOD'S FACE

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## NEXT STEPS

Christians should always seek the presence of God. Jesus promised that He would never leave or forsake His people. This week, focus on seeking God's presence by spending time with Him in prayer and reading and thinking about the Bible.

## CHRIST FOCUS

Jesus put aside His glory to come to earth and save sinners!

## TALK ABOUT IT

Ask some trusted Christian adults about how they have seen God's glory today.

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When you repent of your sins, you admit what you did was wrong and turn away from doing it again. When you agree with God that what you did was wrong, you shouldn't keep doing the same thing over and over.

Moses was God's friend. Moses had seen God do many miracles (see chapters 11-14)! Friends often talk face-to-face. When God talked with Moses, it was not face-to-face, however.

**Why wasn't Moses allowed to see God's face?**

God is so glorious and majestic that even a man who is His friend cannot see His face and live. It's as hard for us to understand the glory of God as a tiny fish in the deepest part of the ocean understanding what life is like for you.

Even though God is too glorious to be seen by human eyes, He decided to put aside some of that glory to show part of Himself to Moses. God is so kind that He wants us small humans to know Him better.

**What do you think is the greatest way God let us know who He is?**

Jesus, God the Son, came to earth to show us the love of God. God showed the people of Israel who He is through Moses. He saved His people by having Moses lead them from being enslaved in Egypt.

Jesus came to save the world from sin. People who confess their sins and repent will be saved. Someday they will go to heaven and live in glory with God.

## HOW IS GOD'S PRESENCE WITH BELIEVERS TODAY?

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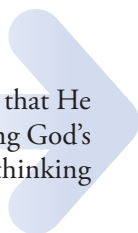
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