

Heart of the Matter: Glory of the Lord

Exodus 40:34-38

Never forget a truth the Tabernacle teaches us -

All access to God begins with Him!

The Tabernacle was His idea, dwelling with His people was His idea, making a way for connection was His idea. Now after the Tabernacle was finally constructed, the glory of the Lord covered it completely. As that cloud settled down over the Tabernacle, the people knew the Lord was with them.

The awareness of the Lord's glory made all the difference for them. The same holds true for us today. As we consider how the glory of the Lord wonderfully came and tragically went from the Tabernacle, we will understand how to keep the Lord's glory visibly present in our lives.

Let's ask a series of questions to develop our understanding:

What is the Lord's "glory"?

- God showing up.

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What was necessary for the Lord's glory to be present?

- Obedience

Exodus 40:33, I Samuel 15

What made the Lord's glory depart?

- His jealousy

Ezekiel 10:1-4, 19, 11:23

What is evidence of the Lord's glory in our day?

- Christ in us *Colossians 1:27, Ezekiel 11:19-20, Acts 1:8-12*

What must we do to enjoy the Lord's glory consistently?

- View ourselves as dead to sin, and alive to God. *Romans 6:11-14*
- Be filled with the Holy Spirit. *Galatians 5:16-26*

Big Idea:
God will show up!