Kneeling Down

Part 2

The longing of the presence of God in man's life is what many of God's people are hope to have and to be in. During trials and hardships man might be tempted to think that God is far at distance. Therefore the Lord would ultimately show Himself near, intervening and doing miracles to revive His people and encourage them to continue to put their trust on Him and to direct them further of what they need to do.

6- "27 The LORD said to Aaron, "Go into the desert to meet Moses." So he met Moses at the mountain of God and kissed him. 28 Then Moses told Aaron everything the LORD had sent him to say, and also about all the miraculous signs he had commanded him to perform. 29 Moses and Aaron brought together all the elders of the Israelites, 30 and Aaron told them everything the LORD had said to Moses. He also performed the signs before the people, 31 and they believed. And when they heard that the LORD was concerned about them and had seen their misery, they bowed down and worshiped." (Exodus 4:27-31)

When the Lord sent Moses to the Israelites he sent with him his brother Aaron. Moses told Aaron all the miraculous signs that God had commanded him to do. And both of them went and gathered the elders of the Israelites. *Aaron told them everything the LORD had said to Moses. He also performed the signs before the people, 31 and they believed. <u>And when they heard that the LORD was concerned about them and had seen their misery, they bowed down and worshiped</u>. When the people heard and seen that God is concerned about them that brought revival inside their souls and felt God's love and He is really present in their lives. As if they saw God is standing and is there in the mid of their meetings and responded to that by bowing down and worshipping the Lord who was in the mid of them.*

Be sensible to worship the Lord and have faith in Him. Any act and sign of concern and love toward you is from God and the Lord wants to tell you that He loves you and he cares for you and has concern and good plans for you to prosper you and to bless you.

7- "21 Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. 22 Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. Not one of you shall go out the door of his house until morning. 23 When the LORD goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down. 24 "Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. 25 When you enter the land that the LORD will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. 26 And when your children ask you, 'What does this ceremony mean to you?' 27 then tell them, 'It is the Passover sacrifice to the LORD, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.' " Then the people bowed down and worshiped. 28 The Israelites did just what the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron,"

(Exodus 12:21-28) The people of God in Egypt when they responded to the call of God they bore the pressure of the persecution form Pharaoh as well as they witnessed how God dealt with the Egyptians in sending them plagues in order to set His people free. The last plague was putting to death the first born of the Egyptians. Therefore he instructed his people to slaughter the Passover lamb and put the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. And that not one of them shall go outside the door of his house until morning. Therefore, "When the LORD goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down." (Exodus 12:23) When the people heard that the time and the date for their deliverance out of Egypt had drawn near and had been decided they felt God's presence and His love and concerns for them and bowed down and worshipped Him. They did so rejoicing in their salvation and with what the Lord had done to them.

Are you not glad that Jesus, the Lamb of God, offered his life and died on the cross for your sins to give you eternal life? Will you not bow down in adoration and worship him? Show your faithfulness and gratitude to Him. He is really present in your life, saving you from your sins and leading you in the way everlasting.

8- The Israelites after their deliverance they sinned against the Lord by making and worshipping a golden calf that made the Lord angry with them. Moses interceded for them to be pardoned for the Lord who was about to destroy them, as you can read, "9 I have seen these people," the LORD said to Moses, "and they are a stiff-necked people. 10 Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation." 11 But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. "O LORD," he said, "why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. 13 Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.' "14 Then the LORD releated and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened." (Exodus 32:9-14) Moses further interceded for them before God, "30 The next day Moses said to the people, "You have committed a great sin. But now I will go up to the LORD; perhaps I can make atonement for your sin." 31 So Moses went back to the LORD and said, "Oh, what a great sin these people have committed! They have made themselves gods of gold. 32 But now, please forgive their sin--but if not, then blot me out of the book you have written." 33 The LORD replied to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against me I will blot out of my book. 34 Now go, lead the people to the place I spoke of, and my angel will go before you. However, when the time comes for me to punish, I will punish them for their sin." 35 And the LORD struck the people with a plague because of what they did with the calf Aaron had made." (Exodus 32:30-35) As a result of Moses intercession and prayer the Lord relented of destroying them totally but the Lord said to Moses that He will not go with them, "3 Go up to the land flowing with milk and honey. But I will not go with you, because you are a stiff-necked people and I might destroy you on the way." (Exodus 33:3)

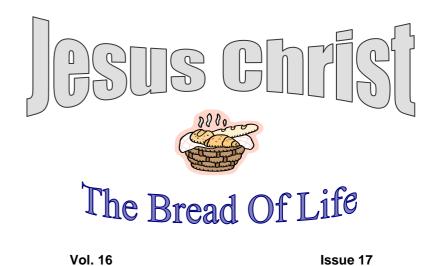
Moses pleaded with the Lord to keep his presence with him. God wanted to send His angel but Moses wanted God personally to go with Him: "12 Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' 13 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." (Exodus 33:12-13) The Lord agreed with Moses prayer and 14 The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." (Exodus 33:14) And Moses had a beautiful fellowship with God and poured out his soul and rejoiced with the Lord, "15 Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. 16 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?" 17 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." (Exodus 33:15-17)

Followed after that the Lord asked Moses to chisel out two tablet stone and to come up on the mountain, " "1 The LORD said to Moses, "Chisel out two stone tablets like the first ones, and I will write on them the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. 2 Be ready in the morning, and then come up on Mount Sinai. Present yourself to me there on top of the mountain. 3 No one is to come with you or be seen anywhere on the mountain; not even the flocks and herds may graze in front of the mountain." 4 So Moses chiseled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the LORD had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands. 5 Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. 6 And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation." 8 Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped. 9 "O Lord, if I have found favor in your eyes," he said, "then let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance." 10 Then the LORD said: "I am making a covenant with you. Before all your people I will do wonders never before done in any nation in all the world. The people you live among will see how awesome is the work that I, the LORD, will do for you." (Exodus 34:1-10) Here the Lord proclaimed to Moses who He is, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation." When Moses heard from the mouth of God, "Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished: he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation," Moses further pleaded with the Lord; he bowing down and worshipped, 8 Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped." Pleading with the Lord in the behalf of the Israelites, asking Him, 9 "O Lord, if I have found favor in your eyes," he said, "then let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance." In kneeling down position

Moses pleaded with the Lord that He will go not only with Moses, as well as with the whole Israelites. And the Lord responded to His prayer, "10 Then the LORD said: "I am making a covenant with you. Before all your people I will do wonders never before done in any nation in all the world. The people you live among will see how awesome is the work that I, the LORD, will do for you." (Exodus 34:10) The prayer and the intercession of Moses was directed that God covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would continue in the life of the whole Israelites.

My Dear and Beloved: From the above sequence in the life of the Israelites you would learn to see God really moving in your life, to respond in bowing down and worshipping the Lord who is gracious and compassionate in saving your life from sin and death through Jesus Christ our Lord. You learn also from this message to repent and to appeal to God's grace and mercy to save you and to restore you back to Him and to the covenant that he had bestowed on you as you agree to kneel down, worship God and pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for all the wonderful miracles that you had done for me to be the person and to have all what I have today. Lord I repent from the following sins _______. Lord I appeal to your grace and mercy to keep your presence in my life and to live in covenant with you. Lord as I kneel down and pray, answer me dear Lord, this is my prayer in Jesus name. Amen.



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