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Seeing God from Behind

(Exodus 33:12-23)

INTRODUCTION: *Seeing God from behind...
what does THAT mean?*

I. WHAT HAD GOD DONE TO MAKE MOSES DOUBT HIM?

- A. It was not what God had done
- B. It was what the people of Israel had done
(their 'golden calf' – Exodus 32)

II. WHY DO WE SAY TO GOD “SHOW ME”?

- A. It is not because of what God has done
- B. It is because of our sinful nature

III. BUT GOD WOULDN'T “SHOW” MOSES, & HE WON'T SHOW US

- A. God did, however, let Moses **see Him from behind** (Exodus 33)
- B. It wasn't what Moses wanted, but it was what he needed
- C. God shows us Himself not in the way we may want,
but in the way we need
- D. Just look at God **from behind** in the person of Jesus
(John 1:18; 2 Corinthians 4:6)
- E. God's answer to our “show me's” is always in Jesus!

CONCLUSION: *We say – ‘show me’
& God says – ‘Look at the cross of Jesus & you will see!’*