Finding God’s Strength In Our Weakness

Strength To Change
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Paul’s Illustration
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• When you spend time with God it shows
• What Moses had was external...it was a REFLECTED glory.
• God’s glory, even when reflected, frightens
• What Moses had was temporary, it faded
Change is Possible Because of the Powerful Message We Embrace

- OT ministry was temporary  NT is permanent
- OT Law condemns  NT Grace Forgives
- OT Commanded us to do good  NT Empowers us to do good
- OT looked at face of God: Justice  NT face of Jesus: Grace
- OT written on stone  NT written on hearts
- OT saw through a servant  NT sees through a Son
- OT Moses REFLECTED God’s glory  NT Jesus RADIATES His glory
- OT brought awareness of sin  NT bring relationship w/God
- OT can bring us TO Christ  NT makes us LIKE Christ
“And if what was fading away came with glory, how much greater is the glory of that which lasts!”

“The Glory of the Law in the Face of Moses has faded before the Glory of the Gospel in the Face of Jesus”
Change Is Possible Because the Message We Share Brings Freedom

- **OT Veil Was:** *Unbelief*
  - Grumbling about no water
  - Grumbling about no food
  - Grumbling about no meat
  - Refusing to enter the Promised Land

“So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief.”

Heb 3:19
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- NT Veil Is: Unbelief
  ~Self Serving; Self sufficiency
  ~Prosperity
  ~Ambition
  ~Possessions
  ~Own Righteousness

“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.” Heb 11:6
We Find Strength To Change When We Work WITH God In the Process

• We “turn” to Him vs 16
• We “reflect” His glory vs 18
• We are “transformed” by him vs 18
  ~New heart Ez 36:26
  ~New mind Rom 12:2
  ~New Spirit: Acts 4:13
God Wants To Make You New!

• New direction
• New Focus
• New Heart
• New Mind
• New Spirit

“If anyone is in Christ...he is a NEW creation...the old has passed and the new has come!”

2Cor 5:17
Your Decision Today

• Turn TO Him if you haven’t already
• Be WITH Him so you will become LIKE Him!
• SET your mind, heart spirit on Him:

Behold Him So you will be able to Reflect Him