

One in a Million Bible Study  
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-In the waiting times, pursue His presence, trusting Him with the destination.

-Any self/man made god we place before Him or *ALONGSIDE* Him is idolatry.

-The Promised Land without the Promise Giver is just another land.

Our next study is Wednesday, March 4. Please read Exodus 33-34. We will be studying God's glory. We will not be using the One in a Million book.

**Ex 20 18** When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance **19** and said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die." ...**21** The people remained at a distance, while Moses approached the thick darkness where God was. **22** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites this: 'You have seen for yourselves that I have spoken to you from heaven: **23** Do not make any gods to be alongside me; do not make for yourselves gods of silver or gods of gold.

When the people saw how long it was taking Moses to come back down the mountain, they gathered around Aaron. "Come on," they said, "make us some gods who can lead us. We don't know what happened to this fellow Moses, who brought us here from the land of Egypt." **2** So Aaron said, "Take the gold rings from the ears of your wives and sons and daughters, and bring them to me." **3** All the people took the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. **4** Then Aaron took the gold, melted it down, and molded it into the shape of a calf. When the people saw it, they exclaimed, "O Israel, these are the gods who brought you out of the land of Egypt!" **5** Aaron saw how excited the people were, so he built an altar in front of the calf. Then he announced, "Tomorrow will be a festival to the Lord!" **6** The people got up early the next morning to sacrifice burnt offerings and peace offerings. After this, they celebrated with feasting and drinking, and they indulged in pagan revelry.

**7** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. **8** They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, 'These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.' **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. "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 relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened. **15** Moses turned and went down the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands. They were inscribed on both sides, front and back. **16** The tablets were the work of God; the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets. (**17** When

Joshua heard the noise of the people shouting, he said to Moses, "There is the sound of war in the camp." **18** Moses replied: "It is not the sound of victory, it is not the sound of defeat, it is the sound of singing that I hear.") ????

When Moses approached the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, his anger burned and he threw the tablets out of his hands, breaking them to pieces at the foot of the mountain. And he took the calf the people had made and burned it in the fire; then he ground it to powder, scattered it on the water and made the Israelites drink it. He said to Aaron, "What did these people do to you, that you led them into such great sin?" "Do not be angry, my lord," Aaron answered. "You know how prone these people are to evil. They said to me, 'Make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don't know what has happened to him.' So I told them, 'Whoever has any gold jewelry, take it off.' Then they gave me the gold, and I threw it into the fire, and out came this calf!

**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.

**Ex 25** The Lord said to Moses, **2** "Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering ...**3** These are the offerings you are to receive from them: gold, silver and bronze...

**Ex. 33:1-6, 15** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' **2** I will send an angel before you and drive out the Canaanites, Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. **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." **4** When the people heard these distressing words, they began to mourn and no one put on any ornaments. **5** For the Lord had said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites, 'You are a stiff-necked people. If I were to go with you even for a moment, I might destroy you. Now take off your ornaments and I will decide what to do with you.'" **6** So the Israelites stripped off their ornaments at Mount Horeb. **15** Then Moses said to him, If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here.