

THE STORY OF MOSES

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CHAPTER TWENTY-FOUR

MOSES CALLED TO MT. SINAI

It was after this experience with the elders that God called Moses to come alone to Him on the Mount. Before he went Moses gave the management of the camp and all business matters into the hands of Aaron and Hur. To them the people could go in his absence. He took with him a young man by the name of Joshua, but Joshua did not go all of the way. He waited for Moses somewhere on the mountainside.

“And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount. And the glory of the Lord abode upon Mount Sinai . . . And the sight of the glory of the Lord was like devouring fire on top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel . . . and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.”

Now that the Israelites had been delivered from Egypt and God had so tenderly brought them to Himself, He longed to show them the glorious things He had in store for them. They had chosen to be ruled by law and that law had been given on Mount Sinai as we learned in our last story.

Moses, as we have said, went up to God in the wonderful glory cloud that rested upon the mountain. If the sight of it made Israel to tremble how must Moses have felt to be called right into it?

What about this cloud? What is meant by the glory of the Lord in a cloud on Mount Sinai?

When presidents go on journeys, often they travel in a very lovely coach all fixed up like a little “White House,” carrying much of the same good cheer and friendliness. As they go along, this car becomes the meeting place of men who have business to talk over with the president. It is always guarded by the civil service men.

Perhaps this glory cloud was something like that, and, if we may think of it that way, God swooped down in one of His heavenly Pullmans or dirigibles; He used it as a meeting place with Moses. Some folks think the cloud around about was a cloud of angels. If it was, then they kept watch during the council.

God and Moses had talked together many times during the past months. God had showed Moses numerous evidences of His love and power; but now, when Moses entered the cloud and perhaps sat down to rest in this lovely place after his hard climb, he must have been conscious, as never before, of the majesty, love, power and glory of God, his Father.

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