

Glory, Goodness & the Supremacy of Christ Mediating God's Love

John 17; John 1:14-18; Exodus 32-34

- Key theme: ch 17, being repeated last few chapters – key word “glory”
- In this prayer: ch 17, Jesus uses *glory* or its equivalent *glorify* as follows
John 17:1; 4-5; 10; 22; 24
- Theme of glory can be traced throughout John's gospel – John 1: 1-18
- Trace glory theme, is tied to the theme of God's love, the Cross itself

I. Parallels: Revelation of God's Glory to Moses & Christ's glory

- John 1:14-18 has very close connection to Exodus 32- 34...
- Moses receives tablets, 10 commandments, debauchery – God's glory
- 1) The Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (1:14)- Exodus-
tabernacle, meeting place of God, sacrifice – Jesus fulfills this in NC
- 2) Ex 33:20 'you can't see My face' John 1:18 no one has ever seen God
- Word made flesh, He who has seen Him has seen the Father (14:9)
- 3) Moses: cleft of the rock, show me your glory – God says (Ex 34:6)
- “loving kindness & truth” – John 1:17 “grace & truth through Jesus
- 4) Moses “show me your glory.” God, you'll see “My goodness” (33:19)
- John writes, “we've seen His glory” what about glory & goodness?

II. The Goodness of God and the Glory of Christ

- Jesus manifested His glory & His disciples believed in Him (Jhn 1:11)
- Glory of God seen in His goodness – the crucifixion of the Son

III. Summation: –Glory, Goodness and the Mediation of God's love

- All the display of the glory of God focuses finally goodness of God at the cross and the vindication of the Son for sinners