## The Hidden God

We read in Exodus 19:16-25, how Moses came out of the presence of God with the Word of God for that age. Moses had been in this Word, he has entered in this Word. The Word had been written and Moses was found with this Word in the presence of God. He had the Word for that age. In every age comes forth a Word. And it came to pass when Moses came down from the Mount Sinai - and with the two tables of testimony in his hand - he did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had talked with Him. And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone and they were afraid to come nigh him (Exodus 34:27-35).

The Word was found in him, it was ready to be manifested (obviously), to be passed on to the people of God.

But what did happen in this time on the sunset mountain? - To the people, Moses was the living Word; the Word was hidden, however. In Isaiah 45:15 we read:

"Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour (Deliverer, Assistant)."

Moses had to veil himself, he had to put a veil on his face. Why? He was the Word! Until that Word was made known, Moses had to cover himself. Can we see it? Wherever the Word is, it is veiled!

Because such glory was upon him, Moses had to veil his face. It was a natural glory, because of a natural, transient law. But the glory was so great, that the people were blinded and they put a veil on his face. How much more will this happen now! - That glory had to pass away, but this glory will never pass away. Moses had the carnal law of condemnation, no grace. It just condemned them, because through the law, sin revived. The law that was given for life, proved itself to them for death (Romans 7). The law didn't have grace, it just showed to them what they were.

"But sin, taking occasion by the commandment (law), wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead... But when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died..." (Romans 7:8-10). We read further in Romans 5:20-21:

"Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign (carry out its royalty) through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord."

For if the ministration of death - the law, given on Mount Sinai and engraven with letters in stones, began glorious, so that the children of Israel could not steadfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of this countenance; which glory was to be done away: How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious? (II Cor. 3:7-18). Yes, if the ministration of condemnation be or was glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory. For if that which is to be done away (the first covenant, the law of sin and death) was introduced in glory, much more that which remaineth will last in glory!

At that time God gave them what they longed for: the law (Exodus 19:7-9). They had to watch it and it was told them:

"Thou shalt not commit adultery, thou shalt not steal, thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour..."

They had to watch it and keep this. They wanted still to do something for themselves and to make a name for themselves (self-redemption). But they couldn't do it out of their own strength. And the transgression of the law is sin, for the Bible says:

"The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:20).

and

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

But we today are servants of the new covenant, not of the letter, but of the Spirit. For the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life (II Cor. 3:4-6).

But this is not the letter now, but the Spirit of the living God that comes over the promised Word for this time, and He brings forth the presence of the living God and is manifesting the same. Not two tables of stone, but the presence of the living God becomes visible. But the same way that glory was veiled by a natural veil, the same way this glory is veiled before the unbelievers by a spiritual veil, by religious forms and traditions - the traditional veil of the denominations (II Cor. 4:3-4).

How necessary it is to get into the Spirit of God and to recognize and to see where we have arrived and to find out in what hour we are living in. Let us consider always: The first step is and will remain: Break into the Spirit of the Lord. Still applies the Word from Revelation 4:1-2, "*Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.*" May also we have the experience and stay in it: "*And immediately I was in the spirit* ..."

His Words are Spirit and are life (St.John 6:63). If we get born again by the Spirit of God from above, we break through the veil into the Holiest of Holy, into Jesus Christ. Then we are in heavenly spiritual places in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 2:4-7), translated into the kingdom of his dear Son (Colossians 1:13).

Yes, God - the law - was veiled in Moses, His prophet for that time, the presence of God was in him. But about 2000 years ago, God - the grace, the love of God - was in fullness in a man, His Son Jesus Christ, also called Emmanuel, which is interpreted: God with us (St.Matthew 1:23-25). We read in II Corinthians 5:18-21,

"And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; to wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ (messengers in place of Christ), as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God ..."

Moreover in Colossians 2:9-10,

"For in him (in Christ) dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him (fulfilled, brought to fullness), which is the head of all principality and power."

It was the fullness of grace of God in a man (St.John 1:1-4.14-18), God manifested in flesh (I Timothy 3:16), in Jesus Christ (I John 5:19-20). But now it is God in men: the fullness of the Spirit poured out in His whole church (Joel 2:28). He is manifesting Himself and fulfills His Word. We can see that God always has a skin. When Moses had seen Him, He was in a skin then (Exodus 33:12-23). He looked like a man. When God was behind the veils of rams' skin in the temple, He had a skin around Him. And today God is wrapped up in skin in His church. He is hidden before the unbelievers and revealed to the believers. The Son of man (St.Luke 17:30) has revealed Himself and is back in His church again, but now revealed in human beings, the habitation of God through the Spirit (Eph. 2:18-22), that He might present it to Himself a glorious church, before She ascends to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Eph. 5:25-27). Christ, the anointed Word of God, the

mighty angel of Revelation 10:1, has returned again into His church in these last days. But the people in those days couldn't see the Glory of God, the Shekinah Glory, which is the visible presence of the Glory of God, because a skin hid it. And today the glory of God is behind your skin, and the traditions and form of man cannot see it how God dwells in His temple. For we are the temple of the living God (II Cor. 6:16). "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost...?" (I Corinthians 6:19-20 and 3:16-17).

Yes, Moses went into the pillar of fire, and when he came out, he was veiled then. He came out veiled. Jehovah veiled in the form of a prophet. The Word of God veiled in a man.

How important it is for us to enter into the Word for this hour, into the Spirit of the same, into His presence and to persevere in it! (St.John 15:1-8).

Moses was a curious man for the people of Israel. And how much more we are peculiar for the unbelievers, if we pass through the veil into the presence of God. You are veiled now, and the unbelievers anointed with the spirit of this world-time cannot recognize it (St.John 14:19). They cannot understand your life, your behaviour, your speech (I Cor. 2:11-16). If already the natural - the law - was glorious, how much more glorious then will be the supernatural - the grace of God - and never cease! How many, however, have known the way of peace? (Romans 3:16-26).

Moses had to enter alone into the pillar of fire, nobody could go with him. What does that mean for us? - That you can never enter in joining a church. He never reveals it to a group today, but He reveals it to the individual; there are no group revelations. It meant death for everybody, if he would try to imitate Moses. It is the same today: It will bring spiritual death, if it's imitated, for it is a personal matter. It is concerning you and God! *You* have to enter, not your church or your pastor - *you*!

When Moses came forth with the laws, the confirmed Word for that hour, he was a changed person then. Therefore also your skin can be changed and become a dwelling place for God, God's building (I Cor. 3:9).

Break into His presence and you will also be transformed - your nature, your longing, your desire will be changed. The old things are passed away, behold, all things have become new (II Cor. 5:17).

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