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Verse 13: The Glory of the Law Was Fading, Even as It Was Being Given

- Exodus 34:29 35 describes how Moses put a veil over his face after speaking to the people.
 - As glorious as the radiant face of Moses was, it was a fading glory.
 - As glorious as the old covenant was, it was always intended to be temporary.
 - The "super-apostles" were apparently promoting the law in Corinth.

2nd **Corinthians 11:22** Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I.

- Now we proclaim the new covenant, which is an everlasting gospel.
 - o The glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ is a permanent glory.

Verse 14: There is Nothing Wrong with the Law

1st Timothy 1:6 - 10

- 6 Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion,
- 7 <u>desiring to be teachers of the law</u>, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.
- 8 Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully,
- **9** understanding this, that <u>the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane</u>, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers,
- **10** the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine

Deuteronomy 18:15 - 16

15 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen—

16 just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.'

John 5:44 - 47

- **44** How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?
- **45** Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope.
- **46** For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.
- 47 But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

Verse 15: Their Blindness Remains from a Refusal to See Him

John 9:39 - 41

- **39** Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind."
- **40** Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?"
- **41** Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains.



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Verse 18: Beholding the Glory of the Lord

<u>Transformed</u> (metamorphoō): from which we get our English word metamorphosis

• This is a complete change. It is the same word used of Christ's *transfiguration* into glory in **Matthew 17:2** and **Mark 9:2**.

Verse 5: The Message that Saves is not about Us

• If anyone gets saved, it is because they come to believe in Christ, not us.

Verse 6: The Power that Saves is *not* from Us

• If anyone gets saved, it is because of a miracle of the power of God, not us.

God Still Speaks

Genesis 1:3 - 4

3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

4 And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness.

One Day, All of Creation

Habakkuk 2:14 For the earth will be filled with <u>the knowledge of the glory of the LORD</u> as the waters cover the sea.

Revelation 22:4 - 5

4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

5 And <u>night will be no more</u>. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for <u>the Lord God will be their light</u>, and they will reign forever and ever.

