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2 Corinthians 3:7-11 The Glory of the New (Covenant)

The Glory of the New Covenant is seen:

- **I. The New Covenant is of the Spirit, Not the Law (v.7-8)** ⁷ But if the ministry of death, in letters engraved on stones, came with glory, so that the sons of Israel could not look intently at the face of Moses because of the glory of his face, fading *as* it was, ⁸ how will the ministry of the Spirit fail to be even more with glory?
- II. The New Covenant Provides Righteousness, Not Condemnation (v.9-10) For if the ministry of condemnation has glory, much more does the ministry of righteousness abound in glory. ¹⁰ For indeed what had glory, in this case has no glory because of the glory that surpasses *it*.
- III. The New Covenant Lasts Forever and Does Not Fade Away (v.11) ¹¹ For if that which fades away *was* with glory, much more that which remains *is* in glory.

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1. Launching Question(s):

• What do you know about the ministries of Moses? Of Paul?

2. Observation Question(s):

 Why were the people of Israel afraid to see the radiance of Moses' face after he met with God?

3. Interpretation Question(s):

- What is glorious about the covenant given at Sinai to Moses (Exodus 34)?
- What is glorious about the New Covenant spoken of by Paul (Ezek. 36:25-27)?
- Why is the New Covenant much more glorious?

4. Reflection Question(s):

- Will there ever be another, new/newer covenant given to us by God?
- Why or why not?

5. Application Question(s):

- Paul states in Rom. 8:2 that "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death."
- What truths about the New Covenant Gospel might help you "feel" more "free" this coming week?