

Biblical Study Insights

A Weekly Compilation by Rodney "Roc" Foreman

"The Christian Doxology"

*"...The Word became flesh and made His Dwelling among us. We have **SEEN HIS GLORY**, The Glory of The One and Only Son, Who came from The Father, **Full of Grace and Truth....."***

John 1:14

As we continue our journey into the knowledge of The NEW Covenant – The Gospel of The Grace of God, we find our lesson about Grace showing us a marvelous Truth about the powerful relationship afforded to the Believer in Christ. This afforded benefit of The Believer, because of Jesus Christ, allows us to SEE The Glory of God!

John, the Writer of the very Book that bears his name, shows us the power of Christ dwelling among us, and quite frankly, it is more about Christ dwelling WITHIN us! John clearly tells us in our text that *"...we have **SEEN His Glory**...."*

What is this Glory, you ask? Well, the word translated "Glory" in Greek, is the word **Doxa (Dox'-ah)** – It is to **SEE and/or EXPERIENCE** *Splendor (in fullness or in part), Brightness, Honor, Dignity, Grace, The Preeminence of Godly Perfection and Godly Ordination.* From this word, we also get the word, **Doxology**, which is an expression of Praise as in a song or joyful shout! When the Christian expresses Praise or a Doxology, it is essentially our way of saying that we have SEEN and/or EXPERIENCED the Blessings of God's Grace – The Blessing of an encounter with Him!

You see, our relationship with God is one where God SEES and KNOWS us, and also one where HE allows us to SEE and KNOW Him! To SEE God, is to see His Beauty, His Splendor, His Brightness (or The Radiance of His Light) and the Perfection of His Character! This, my beloved Brothers and Sisters, is The Glory of God!

John, in essence, lets us know that Christ among us (and IN US) gives us an opportunity to SEE and EXPERIENCE how ABSOLUTELY AWESOME He is, and that, by The Fullness of His Grace and Truth! Does this make you glad today? Does this excite you in any way? This is why we offer our Praises to God in the midst of other people – to affirm and acknowledge our relationship with God, our encounters with His Grace and our experiences of SEEING His Glory!

*"...Moses said to Him [God], 'If Your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that You are pleased with me and with Your People unless You go with us? What else will distinguish me and Your People from all the other people on the face of the earth?' And The LORD said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing you have asked, because I Am pleased with you and I know you by name.' Then Moses said, "**NOW SHOW ME YOUR GLORY...."***

Exodus 33:15-18 NIV

**Much Love,
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