

THURSDAY**Intercession**

- Covenant w/God BROKEN = Moses confronted ppl /horrible sin
 - Some persisted = Unrepentant rebellion
 - led to terrible consequences/ Penalty unrepentant sin = death
- **Exodus 32:26-28** Moses called those who were on Lord's side to gather together /w him = All the sons of Levi joined Moses
 - That day / Lord ordered around 3,000 unrepentant pagan men who totally rejected Him = be executed to protect /others from their deadly influence of idolatry / immorality
- Going up mountain again = Moses hoped to make atonement
 - for people's great sin of idolatry
 - vs. 31 = confessed their great sin of making god of gold
 - sought forgiveness for them = by making an astonishing offer

Exodus 32:32 Yet now, if You would only forgive their sin.... But if not, please blot me out of Your book that You have written."

- If Israel's death penalty for sin / could not be forgiven in Lord's righteous judgment, Moses was willing to stand in
 - as their substitute = to make atonement
- Exodus 32:32 "blot me out of Your book which You have written"
 - References = Lord's **book of life**
 - record of mortal people = who will inherit eternal life

Psalms 69:27-28 (AMP) ²⁷Let one [unforgiven] perverseness and iniquity accumulate upon another for them [in Your book], and let them not come into Your righteousness or be justified and acquitted by You.

²⁸**Let them be blotted out of the book of the living and the book of life** and not be enrolled among the [uncompromisingly] righteous (those upright and in right standing with God).

Daniel 12:1 Michael shall stand up = time of trouble, such as never was "And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book."

Revelation 3:5 He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

HOW DO WE OVERCOME? Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

Exodus 32:32 Yet, now if you will **forgive** their sin –

- word translated “forgive” = verb meaning to carry/bear

Isaiah 53:4 which reads (about Jesus): “Surely He has borne our griefs”

- “borne” = same Hebrew word = carry/bear
 - Powerful insight into = process of salvation/ forgiveness
 - and what it cost God to save us
 - Shows not only = idea of substitutionary atonement but also
 - who does the substituting: **God Himself.**
 - What He did at the cross thousands of years later.
- God in Christ bore our sins = only way we could be forgiven them
- **Exodus 32:32** “blot me out of Your book which You have written”
 - Moses was asking the Lord to “bear” the people’s sin
 - No wonder Moses is considered = type of Christ!
- Because of his intercessory prayer for sinners
 - his willingness to offer his own life for them
 - he surely reflected /what Christ would do for all of us.
- Moses intercessory prayer = Reflected Christ-like compassion = his willingness to offer his own eternal life to atone for people’s sins

Exodus 32:33 And the LORD said to Moses, **“Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book”**

Romans 3:23–24 all have sinned /fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, Vs. 26 God is just/Justifier of those who have faith in Christ

1 John 1:9 = confess = He is faithful/just forgive / cleanse us

Exodus 33:3 In faithfulness to His covenant promises, God said

- people would still go up to Promised Land / but because of sin
- He would not go in their midst because His holy presence might consume /stiff-necked people if they continued in sin
- **Hebrews 12:29** “For our God is a consuming fire”
 - His glory / His righteousness = consume sin.
- That’s why unholy humans cannot see His face w/o perishing
 - at least not until day His glorified saints finally see His face
- **Exodus 33:1–3** In His mercy, God suggested He would only send an angel (not *the* Angel Himself) to accompany them
- Implied no need of constructing / tabernacle for Lord’s dwelling among the people—tabernacle He had described in detail to Moses and directed be stationed in / very center of their camp
- Moses reported / disturbing news to Israel = people mourned.
- God called them to repentance = telling them to remove all their jewelry to show their sorrow of heart
- In / gesture of immediate obedience / people stripped off their ornaments-but genuine heart repentance was yet to come (vv. 4–6).
- Next week = see Moses pitched his tent = far distance outside camp, designating it = “the tabernacle of meeting”
- When Moses walked outside camp to his tent = people watched attentively from their tent doors, desiring for Lord to renew covenant w/them = that they might receive His favor

- Thru/out camp = deep longing for Lord's presence spread
- And it came to pass that = Lord appeared in pillar of cloud = to speak w/Moses