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**10/16/11 Seeing is believing**

**10/23/11 Only begotten from the Father**

**10/30/11 Full of grace and truth: The Glory of God as a Coalescence of His Divine Attributes**

**11/6/11 Moses and Jesus: Law upon Law and Grace upon Grace**

**11/13/11 Seeing and explaining**

**11/20/11 Lord’s Supper**

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**Scripture Reading and Prayer**

* **Read Exodus 33:18-20 (Slides)**
* **Read John 1:1-18 (Slides)**

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**I. The nature of God as revealed in His Son – He is glorious (Blank Slide)**

* Kids to draw pictures each week
* Today, we will draw a picture together
* In the bulletin there is a picture that looks something like this
* **Picture (Slide 2 - Picture)**
* Prism from physics – spectrum of light into its parts
* Today, kids and adults we can draw this together

**II. My journey over the last few years**

* How in this journey I ultimately found myself thinking a bit on John 1:14
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 3 – John 1:14)**
* What began this journey for me was preaching through the book of Ephesians
* In Ephesians chapter 2, that great statement on salvation, Paul says this
* **Read Ephesians 2:4-7 (Slide 4 – Ephesians 2:4-7)**
* “You are God’s grace on display”
* **Picture (Slide 5 – Salvation picture)**
* In John 1, the beginning of the passage takes our minds back to Genesis 1
* However, the end of the prologue draws our attention to the book of Exodus
* So John 1:14 says we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father
* **Read John 1:17-18 (Slide 6 – John 1:17-18)**
* **John brings up Moses**
* What about Moses prompts John to mention him?
* Well, in John 1:14, “we saw His glory…”
* There is much from the life of Moses that would prompt the writer to think about Him
* Moses had seen a glimpse of the glory of God in the burning bush
* The nation had seen the glory of God on display in the plagues
* In Exodus 24, at Mount Sinai, God had visited the people in a theophany
* **Read Exodus 24:16-18 (Slide 7 – Exodus 24:16-18)**
* After Moses goes up on the mountain to receive the ten commandments, Aaron host a pagan ritual and makes the golden calf
* Moses comes down the mountain, break the commandments
* He then returns, begging God to stay with them
* Then He has this request
* **Read Exodus 33:18 (Slide 8 – Exodus 33:18)**
* **Read Exodus 33:19 (Slide 9 – Exodus 33:19)**
* Kabod – comes from the root word “to be heavy”
* Refers to Joseph in Egypt to the Temple at the time of Solomon’s dedication
* God is weighed down with His glorious attributes
* **Picture (Slide 10 – Picture of the Glory of God on Mount Sinai)**
* **Read Exodus 33:20 (Slide 11 – Exodus 33:20)**
* This verse in particular connects us to John 1 as we are told in verse 18, “No one has seen God at any time.”
* **Read Psalm 19:1 (Slide 12 – Psalm 19:1)**
* **Picture (Slide 13 – Picture of the Glory of God in Creation)**
* Back to John 1
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 14)**
* **Picture (Slide 15 – Picture of the Glory of God in Christ)**
* **Read John 2:11 (Slide 16)**
* **Read John 11:4 (Slide 17)**
* **Read John 11:40-43 (Slide 18)**
* **Picture (Slide 19 – Picture of the Glory of God in Christ)**
* Back to John 1
* **Read John 1:14 (Slide 20)**
* **Read John 1:12-13 (Slide 21)**
* **Picture (Slide 12 – Picture of the Glory of God in us)**

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