



God commanded Israel to go to the good land he had promised to give them. Moses asks for God's presence before he will move out.

### **Opening Question:**

Describe a time in your life when you took a step of faith and felt God's presence with you.

**Read:** Exodus 33:12-23

### **Understanding the Story:**

1. Describe Moses' and God's interaction in verses 12-16. Look at the development of Moses' requests (verse 13, 15, 18). What is Moses asking for and why?
2. In verses 17-23, Moses asks for a private display of God's glory and God obliges his request. Why does Moses ask for this display? Why does God respond as he does?
3. In God's answer to Moses (33:19-23), what do you learn about God's nature and character?

### **Living the Story:**

1. In our passage for this week, Moses wanted more of God. Have you ever had a time in your faith journey when you wanted more of God? What happened?
2. Moses could not see God's face. What is our privilege and responsibility in light of John 14:8-14 and Hebrews 1:1-4?
3. In what ways do you demonstrate a desire to know God and to see his glory?

### **Pray:**

1. Pray for each other that you might have a growing desire to know, love and serve God.
2. Pray for the same for our church...that we, as a community of faith, might grow in our desire to know, love and serve God.