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“A Favor”

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Scriptures: [Exodus 33:12-33](#) and [1 Thessalonians 1:1-10](#)
(NRSV)

Exodus 33:12-33

¹² Moses said to the LORD, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.

¹³ Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.”

¹⁴ He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

¹⁵ And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here.

¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.”

¹⁷ The LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.”

¹⁸ Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.”

¹⁹ And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.

²⁰ But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.”

²¹ And the LORD continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock;

²² and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by;

²³ then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.” ([top](#))



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1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

The Thessalonians' Faith and Example

² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers,
constantly

³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and
steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you,

⁵ because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in
power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of
persons we proved to be among you for your sake.

⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you
received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit,

⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and
Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no
need to speak about it.

⁹ For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had
among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God,

¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who
rescues us from the wrath that is coming. ([top](#))