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**A RETURN
TO THE LORD**

12 Moses said to the LORD, “See, you say 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.’”

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13 Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” 14 And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

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¹⁵ And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. ¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

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17 And the LORD said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” 18 Moses said, “Please show me your glory.”

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

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20 But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live.” 21 And the LORD said, “Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock,

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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.”

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WHAT HAS GOD SAID?

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Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’

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**God's Words Come
with God's Authority**

Isaiah 40:5

**The Mouth of the Lord Has
Spoken It**

Isaiah 55:11

**so shall my Word be that goes
out from My mouth; it shall
not return to Me empty, but it
shall accomplish that which I
purpose, and shall succeed in
the thing for which I sent it.**

Numbers 23:18

God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?

Ezekiel 12:25

**For I am the LORD; I will
speak the word that I will
speak, and it will be
performed.**

**THERE IS POWER IN
APPEALING TO THE LORD
IN HIS OWN WORDS.**

WHAT ARE GOD'S WAYS?

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if I have found favor
in your sight,
please show me now
your ways, that I may
know you in order to
find favor in your
sight.

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**ASK AGAIN TO BE SHOWN
THE WAYS OF GOD.**

WALK THERE.



WHERE IS GOD GOING?

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

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**ASK GOD TO MOVE YOU
ONLY TO THE PLACE
WHERE HIS PRESENCE,
WHATEVER THAT MEANS
FOR YOUR LIFE.**

The background of the slide is a photograph of a sunset or sunrise over a body of water. The sky is a gradient of warm colors, from a pale yellow at the top to a deep orange and red near the horizon. The water is calm and reflects the colors of the sky. In the foreground on the left, there is a tree with sparse, light-colored leaves, possibly a cypress or similar, silhouetted against the bright sky.

HOW IS GOD DIFFERENT?

v.18 Moses said,
“Please show me your
glory.”

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GOD ANSWERS WITH THREE REPLIES:

1. HIS GOODNESS

2. HIS NAME

3. HIS PROMISE

**YOU CAN LIVE A LIFE WITH
GOD BEYOND WHAT
YOU'RE ABLE WHEN YOU
SUBMIT YOUR LIFE TO ONE
WHO CAN DO MORE THAN
YOU'RE ABLE.**

**IT'S TIME TO TURN BACK
TO GOD.**

**YOU WON'T BE
DISAPPOINTED.**