

Introduction

- Survey back over series
 - holy, wrathful, sovereign, merciful, just, personal...
 - and in each case seeking to see how we should live in relation to such a God
- Hope it has expanded your vision of who God is
 - maybe corrected, or balanced, some of our pre-conceptions
- How do we sum up such a series?
 - look at a time when someone met God, in all his splendour, holiness, wrath, sovereignty, mercy, justice, personalness...

Moses meets God

Context

- 10 commandments, broken tablets (Exodus 32) because of the golden calf
- Moses being brought up the mountain by God for a second time
- takes blank tablets with him - quite a carry!
- he will inscribe God's commands later in the chapter (v.28)

- holy: anger at the people's idolatry, at their rebellion against him!
- wrathful: plague on the people
- sovereign: God knew all this in advance, and he is using even the stuff that goes wrong to teach his people, and us, of his character and nature!
- merciful: he's giving the people a second chance
- just:
- personal...: just Moses, one to one

God's Name

- Name not just a label
 - revelation of himself, his whole being, nature, character
 - layers of communication thing - level one being weather, completely external, level 2 factual, level 3 "evaluative" (which someone might disagree with us on), level 4 something of the heart, desires, dreams, self-revealing, to level 5 which is our deepest, where we expose the raw reality of our feelings, our innermost fears and insecurities, and is mutual with the other person - we connect
- God is doing level 5 in "proclaiming his name"

God's Character

- All of these together!
 - what a list!!

Responding to God

- Worship!
 - only possible response!

Conclusion

- Apart from the Scriptures themselves, I've never heard a better "take" on how amazing, how great God is, than a recording of a message preached by Dr SM Lockridge
 - he was the Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, San Diego, California, from 1953-1993; he died in 2000
 - the recording is an old one - probably from the 1960s or so - hence the rather condescending introduction!
 - but let your heart be stirred as reflect on the glory of God.... and caused to worship!
- Play SM Lockridge "My King is..." recording, and show slides...