

# Face To Face

*“The Lord would speak to Moses face to face,  
as one speaks to a friend.”  
Exodus 33:11 (NIV)*

*“Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,”  
for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,  
and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City,  
the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,  
prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.*

*And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
‘Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people,  
and he will dwell with them. They will be his people,  
and God himself will be with them and be their God.*

*‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
There will be no more death’ [b] or mourning or crying or pain,  
for the old order of things has passed away.’”  
Revelation 21:1-4 (NIV)*

*“They shall see His face.”  
Revelation 22:4*

**T**he remarkable experience of Moses when he saw God “face to face” seems extraordinary. Moses was a towering spiritual giant among Old Testament saints. His intimacy with the Lord appears to exceed anyone else until the Lord Jesus came. Jesus said that anyone who saw Him saw the Father (John 14:7-9). So, anyone who wishes to see God needs to read the Gospels where our Saviour is so clearly depicted.

The most glorious detail of heaven is that we will see God face to face. Anne Ross Cousin (1824-1906) wrote many hymns

during her lifetime. Her most beloved hymn is Immanuel’s Land and most verses refer to Christ and Immanuel’s land.

For mature believers seeing the One Who died and rose again for them is by far the most glorious detail of heaven. Yes, we will see loved ones, be free from all sorrow, suffering, pain death, temptation, and sin. Forever we will enjoy paradise as our first parents did before the fall. But everything fades in comparison to the remarkable and glorious sight of the Good Shepherd. Or, as Cousins so wonderfully put it, “The Lamb

is all the glory of Immanuel’s land.

Take heart my reader and use today’s verses to strengthen your faith and bring clarity to your thinking. We have such a glorious future and all our suffering now will soon fade and disappear. Today pray with enthusiasm Revelation 22:20 “He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.’ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.”

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