# STANDING ON THE PROMISES The Promise of His Presence

#### Exodus 33:14

"My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest."

#### Hebrews 11:1

Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the assurance of things not seen

Faith is without meaning until it has an object

#### God's Promise

"My presence will go with you and I will give you rest"

A Grid used for claiming a promise from God

<u>Understand</u>

Ask the critical questions

**Claim** the promise

Act by faith on the promise

# Understanding the Context of the Promise What we Know About Moses

Moses was a phenomenal person Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible Moses had a personal direct intimate relationship with God Moses was a man of miracles Moses lived 120 years

#### The outline of Moses' life

The first 40 years Moses was a somebody
The second 40 years Moses was a nobody
The third 40 years Moses was God's nobody
God gave the 10 Commandments to Moses on
Mt. Sinai

### The promise says two things

- 1. It promises God's presence
  - 2. It promises God's rest

The classic blessing of Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;

the Lord make his face shine on you

and be gracious to you

the Lord turn his face toward you and give you

peace

O Lord, You have searched me and known me. <sup>2</sup> You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. <sup>3</sup> You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways. <sup>4</sup> Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O Lord, You know it all.

- <sup>5</sup> You have enclosed me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me.
- <sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is *too* high, I cannot attain to it.

Verses 7-11

Where can I go from thy spirit?
Or where can I flee run from thy spirit
If I ascend into heaven, thou art there
If I make my bed in hell
Behold thou art there

#### Verses 7-11

If I take the wings of the dawn and I dwell in the remotest part of the sea

Even there thy hand will lead me and thy right hand will lay hold of me

vs. 13

For thou didst form my inward parts and thou didst weave me in my mother's womb and I will give thanks to thee for I am fearfully and wonderfully made

Wonderful are thy works and my soul knows it very well

#### VS. 15

My frame was not hidden from thee, when I was made in secret and skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth

16 Thy eyes have seen my unformed substance

# Most of us Are Not like Moses But We Are More Like Jacob

The word Jacob means Supplanter-Cheat

Jacob had two spiritual encounters with God

At Bethel he saw a <u>ladder</u> in a dream

(Genesis 28:10-22)

By the Jabbok River he saw the Lord

(Genesis 32:22-32)

### Jacob's two spiritual encounters

At Bethel he became a believing man At Jabbok he became a broken man At Bethel, he became a son of God At Jabbok, he became a broken man

# Jacob's two spiritual encounters

At Bethel, he died to his sins
At Jabbok, he died to his self
He left Bethel with a spring in his step
He left Jabbok with a lasting limp, forever a changed heart

Sin keeps us from recognizing God in every detail of our lives

#### I SEE JESUS

I see Jesus
In the morning I see His face
In the evening his form I trace
In the darkness His voice I know
I see Jesus everywhere I go