Transcendent and Immanent LORD

Leviticus 1:1-2a

Exodus 40:34-Leviticus 1:2

1.) The Backdrop:

- A.) The First Word in Hebrew means "and," "so," "then," "when," or "how."
- B.) Leviticus is a Continuation of the <u>Exodus</u> Account, Which is a Continuation of the History in Genesis
- C.) At the End of Exodus, We Read About the <u>Completion</u> of the Tent and the Condescension of God.

2.) The Characters and an Important Prop:

- A.) The LORD
 - i.) Yahweh is the Name by Which God Revealed Himself to Israel
 - ii.) Yahweh Communicates God's Transcendence and His Immanence
 - Transcendence refers to God's <u>Independence</u> and <u>Self-Existence</u>
 - Immanence refers to God's <u>Nearness</u> and <u>Interaction</u>

Psalm 115:3, "But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases"

Psalm 145:15-16, "The eyes of all look expectantly to You, And You give them their food in due season. 16 You open Your hand And satisfy the desire of every living thing."

"**IO** But by the grace of God I am what I am..." (1 Corinthians 15:10)

B.) Moses

- Moses was the Servant of the Lord, a Prophet, and a Mediator.

C.) Israel

- Israel is the Seed of Abraham and God's Covenant People
- D.) The Tent of Meeting is a tent-palace.

3.) The Big Picture: the Holy <u>King</u> Has Taken his Throne and Called his Holy Servant in Order To Address his Holy People.

4.) Take Home Point: the Holy King Desires To Be With his People

Acts 17:24-25

"...For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." (2 Corinthians 6:16)

"...are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 3:18)

Application: How Will You Respond to the Special Presence of God?