

# *How Jesus Completes Biblical Judaism*

## *Season 1: Is God's Nature Consistent?*

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### Scripture

#### Exodus 34:6-8

Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth;" Who keeps lovingkindness for thousands, who forgives iniquity, transgression and sin; yet He will by no means leave the guilty unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers on the children and on the grandchildren to the third and fourth generations. Moses made haste to bow low toward the earth and worship.

#### John 1:16-17 (KJV)

And of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

#### Deuteronomy 4:7-8

For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as is the LORD our God whenever we call on Him? Or what great nation is there that has statutes and judgements as righteous as this whole law which I am setting before you today?

### Other Scriptures

- Exodus 33:18-23
- Numbers 12:6-8
- John 14:9
- John 8:11
- Luke 22:34
- John 8:24
- Hebrews 1:1
- Matthew 5:38

## Main Points

- When we see the connectedness between the two Testaments it brings peace to us and clarity in our faith.
- The Old and New Testaments are identical in what they reveal to us about God's nature.
- The nature of God: He is **holy/separate**.
- The nature of God: **Compassionate**
- God's glory is a revelation of His goodness.
- **Yahweh** in Hebrew is the English word **LORD**
- The Old and New Testaments show us that God is the same.
- The God of Israel has made Himself more and more fully known through time and it culminates in the revelation of Jesus.

## Discussion Questions

1. Write the circumstances that allowed Moses to see God in His goodness. How does this stand in opposition to the thought that God is different in character depending on which Testament from which you read? Write about what this means to you in your walk and in your understanding of God throughout the whole Bible.
2. What did Rabbi mean by "His glory is a revelation of His goodness"?
3. How did improper translation cause misunderstanding of John 1:17?
4. Has gaining a true Biblical understanding of God's nature and character from Genesis to Revelation helped your trust of Father? How do you expect this new understanding will affect interpretation of your Old Testament study in the future?