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## Thought For the Day

***Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here.***

Exodus 33:15

Moses recognized that neither he nor God's people should go forward unless God's presence went with them. How did he reach that conclusion? What had he discovered about God that produced such a conviction in his soul?

While he was up on the holy mountain receiving the 10 Commandments and other laws, he learned some vital things about God. He had discovered that God, and God only, met the needs of the people. One of the things he learned was that God was a God of law. God knew his people could not live without guidance. God knew that his people could not live without direction. So God gave them the laws they needed and only the laws they needed. They were perfectly adapted to the circumstances that the people were in at that time. God adapted his laws to the needs of the people and as you read them in the context of the time you cannot help but be amazed by the wisdom that flows through them all.

God know us – not just collectively – but individually. He knows you and He knows me. He knows exactly what our lives need in the way of guidance and direction. And as we open our lives to His Spirit, we find that He meets us where we are and gives us the exact direction we need. We would be foolish not to ask Him to lead us into the future since He knows better than we all that we will need and He will provide it. His Spirit will guide us into the truth we need.

*Father, so often I am tempted to think that I know what is best for my life. But you are the one who created me, and you will guide me if I let you. Steer me this day on the path that will most honor you.*