

#### OPENING SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 3:18

# **INTRODUCTION:** God has literally torn the veil for us to see more clearly what is behind all things.

MAIN TEXT: Hebrews 9:1-15 (NLT), Matthew 27:51 & Luke 23:45

#### OUTLINE:

#### I. God Has Nothing to Hide

A. God has Exposed All. He has exposed why He did what He did in the Old Testament, and why He has done what He has done in the New. He has also laid bare all of our sins and provided a way for them to be erased!
Exodus 26:33 This separation was caused by Sin – And there was nothing man could do about it! Even in the man made Temple where the Ark of the Covenant was hidden...it represented, in the Holy of Holies, the All Power of God just waiting to be fully revealed.

### ➔ Inside the Ark was:

- **The Law of God's covenant** inscribed on the two tablets: Representing God's Moral Perfection.
- **The Bowl of Manna:** God provided enough supernatural daily food from heaven, just enough for each day and the perfect amount of nourishment. Representing God's Provisions are Perfect!
- Aaron's rod: After the Rebellion of Korah which represented the peoples rebellion against God and His anointed leaders. After this, God instructed a Leader from each of the Tribe of Israel bring a branch inscribed by their name; including Aaron; God's chosen High Priest. They were instructed to place them in the Tabernacle overnight. The next morning, Aaron's rod had bloomed and even bore almonds. Representing that God will not tolerate a rejection of or rebellion against His Chosen Anointed Shepherd to Lead them to Himself.
  - Jesus had the Spiritual Authority to bring us to the Father! All who would Come!

## B. When God is Exposed – Love is Clear. Matthew 27:50-51a

When God is exposed – Love is Exposed. In other words, when You see God's love, it is big enough and powerful enough for All people! When Jesus died, God's love exploded...There was nothing standing in the way now! There was nothing holding it back! There was nothing separating us from God's Love...by His own powerful Display of Love...Love was on Display!

#### → Matthew 27:51b & Luke 23:45 Nothing is more powerful than God's Love on Display for His creation and His children!

- God's love provided more than just Law → His Love Incarnate, through Jesus, fulfilled the Law!
- God's love provided more than just daily bread (like Manna) He provided the Perfect Nourishment and perfect sacrifice...Once and for all...so that you never hunger again!
- God's love provided the Spiritual Authority to vanquish not only our sins and rebellions, but to also bring us life out of death as Jesus resurrected from the dead, the first fruits of the resurrection! (Like the dead branch of Aaron blooming and producing fruit).

# II. Satan is Hiding All the Truth

# A. Satan has No Power! (Video Wizard of Oz Illustration)

In Hebrews 9: Satan is not even mentioned...not even once!

- → The Devil will come at you. Satan's forked tongue will tell you all kinds of lies about life and yourself. But only if you listen can it have an impact.
- → God's power has an impact on all people! To either set them free for eternity – or Judge them in Hell.
- ➔ God has all the power and You have the Power to Choose!

  o Satan has NO Power!

### B. Satan Uses smoke and mirrors and schemes! Ephesians 6:11

- → There is no earth shaking reality about satan or even anything that would come close to outshining the sun. He is not even a spark or flare. It is all smoke and mirrors. All he has to offer is schemes that fool people. People are fooled to think that he is big and powerful. Satan holds NO Power over you, in you, or on you! James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
- ➔ God has the Power to back up His promises. Satan cannot deliver on his! God can back up His armor...and the devil will be defeated! We Win!