

Title: The Comfort of Christ's Presence

Text: Exodus 23:20-23

Introduction:

- The Old Testament is filled with \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Some of the most astonishing ones are called \_\_\_\_\_ .
- In Christophanies the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ in the Old Testament takes on \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .

Genesis 26:2-3, 26	Christ appears to _____ : He speaks as the LORD Himself.
Genesis 28:12-13, 16; 35:1; Hosea 12:4-5	Christ appears in a Dream at “Jacob’s _____”:
Genesis 32:24-30	Christ wrestles with _____ : Jacob sees God’s face and wrestles with Him.
Exodus 3:2-6; 23:20-22	Christ meets Moses at the “_____ Bush”: Moses hides his face for he is afraid to look at God. Angel of the Lord = God (Jesus)

I. The Comforting \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s Presence (v. 20).

<sup>20</sup>“Behold, I am going to send an angel before you to guard you along the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared.

A. A Holy \_\_\_\_\_ .

1. He will \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. He will \_\_\_\_\_ .

B. A Holy \_\_\_\_\_

II. The Convicting \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Presence (vv. 21-23).

A. The Caution: God's Presence \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 21).

<sup>21</sup>“Be on your guard before him and obey his voice; do not be rebellious toward him, for he will not pardon your transgression,

What are we to do?

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Why are we to do this?

B. The Amazing \_\_\_\_\_: God's Presence is in the Messenger.

since My name is in him.

C. The Challenge: God's \_\_\_\_\_ is in the Messenger (v. 22-23).

<sup>22</sup>“But if you truly obey his voice and do all that I say, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries.

<sup>23</sup>“For My angel will go before you and bring you in to the land of the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hivites and the Jebusites; and I will completely destroy them.