

"GLORY!"

2 Corinthians 3:6-4:6

Observing the content of this text:

- 1. Glory/Glorious ("kabod" Hebrew | "doxa" Greek)
- 2. References to the Old Testament
- 3. Old Covenant/New Covenant contrast
- 4. Two "therefores"
- 5. References to criticism
- 6. The devil ("god of this age")
- 7. The gospel of Christ

OLD COVENANT

- came with glory
- brought death
- brought condemnation (Romans 3:19-20)
- engraved on stone
- faded away
- There was a veil (Exodus 34:29-35)
- was glorious

NEW COVENANT

- came with glory
- brings life
- brings righteousness
- written on hearts by God's Spirit
- lasts forever
- The veil is taken away
- is far more glorious

Focusing on two big ideas in this text:

When someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away from their hearts and minds; and the Spirit of God begins to transform them into the likeness of Christ; which then becomes a reflection of God's glory to the world.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is so gloriously life-changing, that the devil works to blind the minds of unbelievers, keeping them from grasping and believing the value and need for God's salvation in their lives.