

The Vision Veil

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the tablets (the 2nd time around), his face was lit up with the glory of God. His countenance was so radiant that he had to cover his face with a veil. The people couldn't handle the level of God's presence that Moses had experienced. A full disclosure of the revelation would have blown them away.

Sometimes you'll have an encounter with God that's so intense you can't reveal it to everyone in your life. I'm not talking about some *spooky out of body shake and quake bark like a dog fall into a trance* encounter with God. This has very practical implications.

When you make a commitment to live for Christ with greater commitment, people who know you really well may doubt your sincerity or ability to change. Even the disciples were freaked out by the possibility of assimilating Paul-their former persecutor-into their posse.

Sometimes God plants a vision in your heart so outrageous that you need to keep it to yourself for a while. Joseph would have done well to internalize his dream instead of giving his brothers ammunition to launch against him.

Sometimes God speaks to you in the form of an impression that your human vocabulary can't communicate-even to the people closest to you. When Mary realized the child inside of her was the very Son of God, she treasured the truth in her heart. She couldn't declare it with her mouth yet. This was between her and God-for now.

Be aware that in life and leadership, sometimes you'll feel out of place when you come down from the mountain after meeting with God. It may take time for the people surrounding you to get adjusted to the new reality. **Sometimes you'll have to cover your vision with a veil until what you've seen becomes clear to others too.** Don't take it as an insult. Don't question the validity of your revelation.

Just thank God that your vision is too luminous for human eyes to behold.

It's a sign of a very bright future.