

*What is the
GLORY of GOD?*

Exodus 19



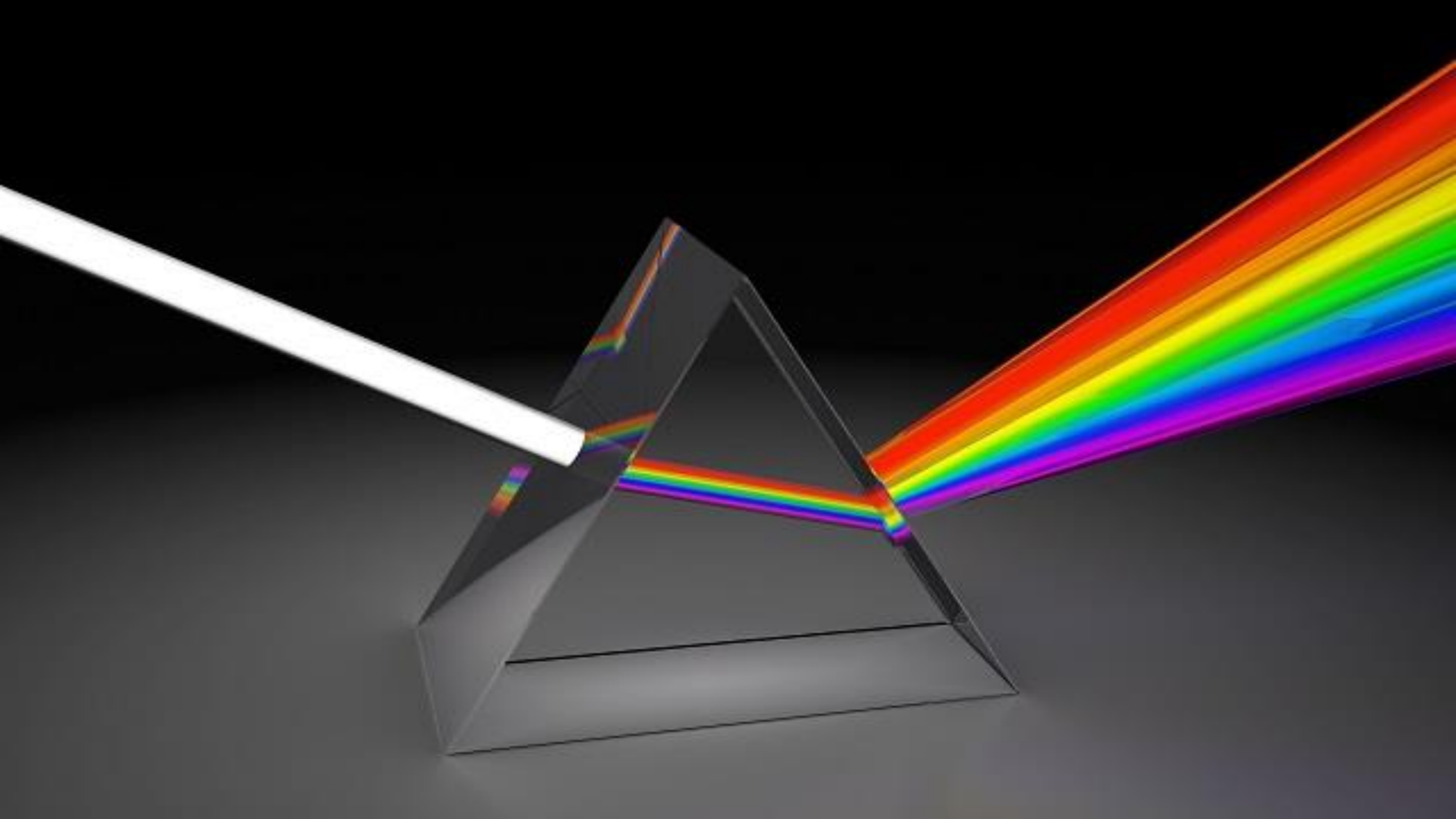
EXODUS

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- vocation: God's special people
- liberated from slavery to adoption
- theocratic state: Mosaic Covenant



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What is ***holy***?

- morally pure, righteous, just
- different, “other”, set-apart



PRISMS for God's glory

Ex 24:16 The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days...

v17 Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel.

What is **glory**?

→**holy** is what God is,

glory is how He shows it

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...made to be prisms
refracting the light of
God's glory into all of life.

John Piper

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Wilhelmus à Brakel (d.1711)

...“fear issues forth from love”

- **fear**: from threat of losing what we love
- **fear** (healthy, positive, constructive): Lord's love & glory

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2) Sinai points to the glory of Christ

- chasm between man & God
- perfection: demanded

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The GOSPEL:

- *the proclamation of Good News*
- *of the Person and work of Christ*
- *and the eternal benefit to anyone
responding in repentant FAITH.*