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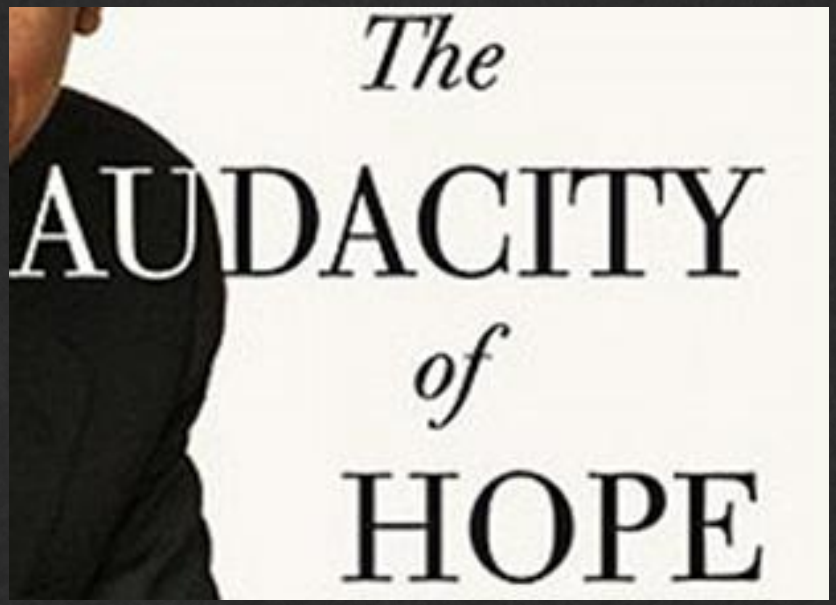

….in the New Covenant Ministry

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12 Therefore having such a hope, we use great boldness in *our* speech, 13 and *are* not like Moses, *who* used to put a veil over his face so that the sons of Israel would not look intently at the end of what was fading away. 14 But their minds were hardened; for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remains unlifted, because it is removed in Christ. 15 But to this day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their heart; 16 but whenever a person turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, *there* is liberty. 18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

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'Parrhesia' – Boldness, primarily in speech

Acts 9:28 And he was with them, moving about freely in Jerusalem, speaking out boldly in the name of the Lord.

Acts 19:8 And he entered the synagogue and continued speaking out boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading them about the kingdom of God.

Ephesians 6:20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in proclaiming it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

1 Thessalonians 2:2 but after we had already suffered and been mistreated in Philippi, as you know, we had the boldness in our God to speak to you the gospel of God amid much opposition.

(great)Boldness

(such) Hope

I. Boldness is *rooted* in the *HOPE* of the *eternal glory* of the New Covenant ministry (v.12)

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Boldness (great)

Hope (such)

~ Work of God

~ Adequacy in Christ

~ Glories of the NT ministry

Mosaic Covenant	New Covenant
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Ministry of condemnation	Ministry of righteousness
Ministry of *fading glory*	Ministry of *abounding glory*

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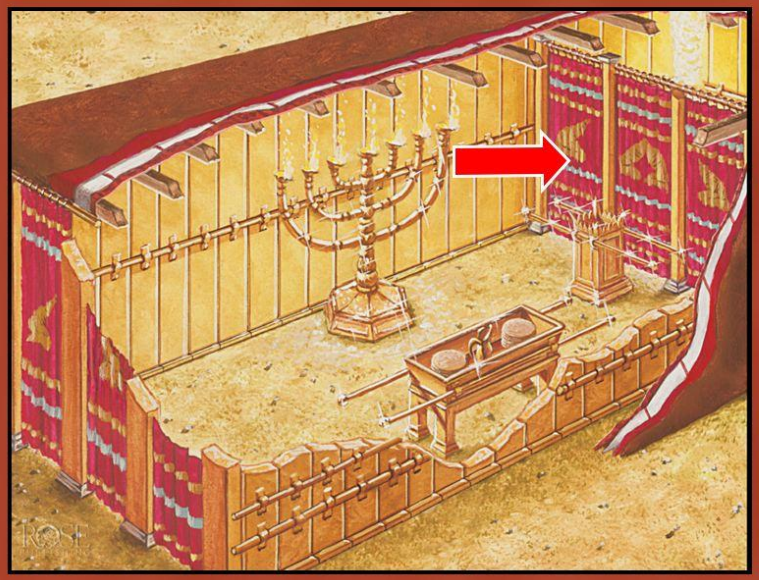
Moses' face that *shone* represented the *glory,* but Moses' *veil* represented the *FADING nature* of the glory of Old Covenant

The Veil





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II. Boldness *results* from the *liberating* work of the *Holy Spirit*

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Galatians 4:6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

Galatians 5:1 It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

Galatians 5:13 For you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do* not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

III. Boldness *rests* on the *continual transformation* work of the *Spirit* from *glory* to *glory*

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2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face,
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John 1:14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 2:11 This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

Exodus 20:18-19 All the people perceived the thunder and the lightning flashes and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood at a distance. 19 Then they said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen; but let not God speak to us, or we will die."

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Moses' face that _____ represented the _____, but Moses' _____ represented the _____ _____ of the glory of Old Covenant

II. Boldness _____ from the _____ work of the _____ _____ (vv.14-17)

III. Boldness _____ on the _____ _____ work of the _____ from _____ to _____

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