**Don Morris:** Would it not be fair to say that God’s image is best seen/clarified in looking at Jesus? 2 Cor. 4:4

**Lynn.Jost:** Yes, Jesus is the image of God (Col 1:15-20); how did Jesus see that vocation? My claim is that Jesus studied the OT to see that God's justice was primary to the good news (Luke 4:18-19). Is that convincing or does that raise other questions?

**Paul Wright:** Lynn, when saying who God is why not use passages like Exodus 3:14 or Ex. 34:6-7? It seems taking care of the widow and orphan comes out of these verses.

**Lynn.Jost:** Yes! There are plenty of "central" texts! I AM and the Exod 34:6-7 text, which is repeated 4-5 more times (Joel, for example), are "central"!!

**Tim Hall:** That is an amazing point! Too often we focus on the judgement seen in the OT, and miss the grace and mercy

**Derrick Austin:** Amen, Dave! Great stuff!

**Mark Isaac:** Good perspective today. Thanks Lynn and Tim!

**Tim Hall:** I think that we miss some depth to our faith and knowledge of God when we don’t sit in the tension of things that don’t seem to make sense to us.

**Connie Nicholson:** Fascinating to consider how Jesus read the OT to give witness to the character of His Father whom He would go on to emulate. What a challenge to reread the OT and ask that question, "what revelation of the Father did Jesus read in this text" instead of approaching the OT with our own paradigms. Hmm...lots to contemplate...