

Exodus 19:1-25

- 1 In the third month after the sons of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that very day they came into the wilderness of Sinai.
- 2 When they set out from Rephidim, they came to the wilderness of Sinai and camped in the wilderness; and there Israel camped in front of the mountain.
- 3 Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the sons of Israel:
- 4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and *how* I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you to Myself.
- 5 'Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine;
- 6 and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel."
- 7 So Moses came and called the elders of the people, and set before them all these words which the LORD had commanded him.
- 8 All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do!" And Moses brought back the words of the people to the LORD.
- 9 The LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will come to you in a thick cloud, so that the people may hear when I speak with you and may also believe in you forever." Then Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.
- 10 The LORD also said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments;
- 11 and let them be ready for the third day, for on the third day the LORD will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.
- 12 "You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Beware that you do not go up on the mountain or touch the border of it; whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death.
- 13 'No hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot through; whether beast or man, he shall not live.' When the ram's horn sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain."
- 14 So Moses went down from the mountain to the people and consecrated the people, and they washed their garments.
- 15 He said to the people, "Be ready for the third day; do not go near a woman."
- 16 So it came about on the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunder and lightning flashes and a thick cloud upon the mountain and a very loud trumpet sound, so that all the people who *were* in the camp trembled.
- 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain.
- 18 Now Mount Sinai *was* all in smoke because the LORD descended upon it in fire; and its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked violently.
- 19 When the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke and God answered him with thunder.
- 20 The LORD came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain; and the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.
- 21 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Go down, warn the people, so that they do not break through to the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

- 22 “Also let the priests who come near to the LORD consecrate themselves, or else the LORD will break out against them.”
- 23 Moses said to the LORD, “The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai, for You warned us, saying, ‘Set bounds about the mountain and consecrate it.’ ”
- 24 Then the LORD said to him, “Go down and come up *again*, you and Aaron with you; but do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the LORD, or He will break forth upon them.”
- 25 So Moses went down to the people and told them.

**Exodus 20:18-21**

- 18 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.”
- 20 Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid; for God has come in order to test you, and in order that the fear of Him may remain with you, so that you may not sin.”
- 21 So the people stood at a distance, while Moses approached the thick cloud where God *was*.

**Deuteronomy 4:10-20**

- 10 “*Remember* the day you stood before the LORD your God at Horeb, when the LORD said to me, ‘Assemble the people to Me, that I may let them hear My words so they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.’
- 11 “You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire to the *very* heart of the heavens: darkness, cloud and thick gloom.
- 12 “Then the LORD spoke to you from the midst of the fire; you heard the sound of words, but you saw no form—only a voice.
- 13 “So He declared to you His covenant which He commanded you to perform, *that is*, the Ten Commandments; and He wrote them on two tablets of stone.
- 14 “The LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that you might perform them in the land where you are going over to possess it.
- 15 “So watch yourselves carefully, since you did not see any form on the day the LORD spoke to you at Horeb from the midst of the fire,
- 16 so that you do not act corruptly and make a graven image for yourselves in the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female,
- 17 the likeness of any animal that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the sky,
- 18 the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water below the earth.
- 19 “And *beware* not to lift up your eyes to heaven and see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and worship them and serve them, those which the LORD your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven.
- 20 “But the LORD has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, from Egypt, to be a people for His own possession, as today.

**Revelation 4, 5; 21:1-22:5**

**Haggai 2:5-9**

- 5 ‘As for the promise which I made you when you came out of Egypt, My Spirit is abiding in your midst; do not fear!’
- 6 “For thus says the LORD of hosts, ‘Once more in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land.
- 7 ‘I will shake all the nations; and they will come with the wealth of all nations, and I will fill this house with glory,’ says the LORD of hosts.
- 8 ‘The silver is Mine and the gold is Mine,’ declares the LORD of hosts.
- 9 ‘The latter glory of this house will be greater than the former,’ says the LORD of hosts, ‘and in this place I will give peace,’ declares the LORD of hosts.”