

Sermon Follow-up| October 13, 2019

The Torah — Israel at Mt. Sinai

Focus Passage: Exodus 19:16–20; 20:1-17

Additional Context: Exodus 19–40

Other Passages Referenced: Romans 8:3–4; 1 Peter 2:9

Corollary Scripture – Deuteronomy 5:1-22

Sermon Recap: Israel at Sinai demonstrates a holy God who desires a holy people who are devoted to a holy Savior and dependent on the Holy Spirit. A key theme throughout Exodus is the promise of God’s presence with His people. With the tabernacle and Ark of the Covenant, God manifested His presence with His people. In Exodus 19:5-6, the LORD promises that Israel “shall be my treasured possession” and “a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” In the gospel of the New Testament, the LORD fulfills His presence with us through Jesus in an even deeper way. Through Jesus, we find forgiveness when we fail to obey the Ten Commandments (summed up in the two commandments to love God and to love our neighbors). Through Jesus we also receive the Holy Spirit that makes God’s possession and holy people, so that 1 Peter 2:9 can declare, “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

Connect: *Making Honest Connections with One Another*

Where did you recognize God’s grace in your life this past week?

*How was your experience with **living by** God’s word this past week?*

*How were you able **to let others know** about what God’s word says this past week?*

Grow: *Listening to and Learning from God’s Word*

READ: Stories 13–15 from the Fall Chapel-wide Study

1. Were there any parts of the passages that you found hard to understand?
2. Can you give a synopsis of each of the stories in your own words?
3. Did you see human rebellion/sin or idolatry in any of the passages?
4. Did you see God's judgment of rebellion/sin in any of the passages?
5. Did you see God's love and grace in any of the passages?
6. Can you see how any of the passages relate to other passages you have studied?
7. Do you see any ways in which any of the passages have connections to Jesus in the New Testament?
8. Are there any promises in the passages we need to remember and trust?
9. Are there any commands in the passages we need to obey?

Serve: *Serving King Jesus and Others By Living Out and Letting Others Know God’s Word*

1. What do you believe God's Spirit is saying to you specifically about living by His word that we have been listening to and learning from? Will you make a specific effort to live by His word by filling in the blank of this statement? — "With the Holy Spirit's help, I will _____ to live by God's word in the coming week."
2. What does it mean for you to "proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light"? — "With the Holy Spirit's help, I will let _____ know what I am hearing and learning from God's word."

Further Resources

- Illustrations and quotes from the sermon can be found on the "Sermon Slides" link at the bottom of www.wcchapel.org
- The Cutting Room Floor — www.wcchapel.org/thecuttingroomfloor
- Parallels between Moses and Jesus — "The Acts 242 Study," blog entry May 11, 2011, <https://acts242study.com/mount-sinai-the-mount-of-transfiguration/>