

EXODUS BIBLE STUDY AND GUIDE

LESSON 40 EXODUS 24:1-18

In Exodus 19, after Jehovah brought the people through the wilderness to the mountain of God to worship, they agreed to obey Him. After sanctifying themselves according to the command of God, He came down and spoke the ten commands to them from the mountaintop. The people were terrified and requested that Jehovah would no longer speak to them directly but through Moses. From the latter part of chapter 20 through chapter 23, we have the laws and judgments that God gives through Moses.

In chapter 24, the reconfirmation of the people's agreement is given as well as the sealing of the covenant. The elders are permitted to come nearer and worship, and Moses is called back up to Jehovah to receive the tablets and further instruction.

1. V1 is a continuation of the previous chapter. What is the command in v1 and how is it clarified in v2?
 - What does v9 say about the design?

2. Someone has called vv3-11 the "ceremony of the covenant." In v3, Moses actually comes back before the people. What is it that Moses says and what is the response of the people?

3. What three things does Moses subsequently do in v4? Note any observations with each.
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4. Vv5-8 refer to sacrificial offerings.
 - Who is it that offers and what do they offer in v5?

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- What is it that Moses does in v6?
 - V7 is at the center of this small section. What does Moses do and how may it relate to what is previously in the chapter? What is the people's response?
 - What does Moses do in v8 and what is the significance?
5. Vv9-11 pick up the command from v2. What may be the significance in relationship to the verses in between?
- What happens as they go up to God? How would you interpret this in light of Ex 33:20 and Jn 1:18?
 - What is portrayed in v11 and what is the point?
6. Vv12-18 relates to the clarification in v2.
- What is the purpose in v12?
 - Who is re-introduced in v13 and how does that relate to v2?
 - What are the instructions to the elders in v14? Keep this in mind for later in the book.

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- What is the description of the mountain, the setting and the timing in vv15-18?
- Compare the description with what is said in vv12-14.

THOUGHT PROVOKING

7. What are lessons in this chapter for you?

- In the relationship of God to His people?

- In what God desires of His people?

- In the Covenant?