



MT. Sinai: Preparation for the God & Man Covenant

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Exodus 19:1-11 (KJV)

- In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.
- ² For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.
- ³ And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

⁴ Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

⁵ Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:

⁶ And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

⁷ And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

⁸ And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

⁹ And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD.

¹⁰ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to day and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes,

¹¹ And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

What You Need to Know About Mountain Sinai

- This mountain is generally identified as Jabel Musa.
- The plain is one-and-one half miles long and one mile broad.



It Began with a Promise

God first reveals Himself to Moses at the burning bush on Mt. Horeb with a promise:


Exodus 3:12, KJV

“And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.”



The Birthing of Israel's Spiritual History

Israel's arrival at the foot of Mt. Sinai marks the beginning of their spiritual history.



All the tribes were to be united in allegiance to:


One God!

A Covenant by which a priest-people were created.

The kingdom of God on earth inaugurated among the children of men—a holy nation.

God Sets the Stage for His Covenant

Moses ascends the mountain to meet with God (v. 3).



God instructs Moses to remind Israel of three important facts (vv. 3-4):

Their **IDENTITY** as the house of Jacob and children of Israel (v. 3).

They were **EYE-WITNESSES** to what happened Passover night (v. 4).

He **CARRIED** them on eagles' wings (v. 4).

God Sets the Stage for His Covenant

An opportunity for
an exalted future.

God wants two
assurances from
His people:

Obey His voice
“indeed” (Ex.
19:5).

Keep His
covenant.

Israel's Potential for an Exalted Future

The Lord said, “I brought you
unto myself”

(v. 4).



If His people agrees to His conditions,
He promises to make them:

**"A Peculiar
Treasure"**
(v. 5).

**"A Kingdom of
Priests"**
(v. 6)

"A Holy Nation"
(v. 6).

A Peculiar Treasure with a Great Purpose

- A peculiar treasure is a term used to denote a precious object or treasure that is one's special possession.
- If I have chosen an instrument for a peculiar purpose, that instrument may be to me a peculiar treasure, but the purpose is greater than the instrument.

"Moreover, in addition to all that I have provided for the holy house, I have a treasure of my own of gold and silver, and because of my devotion to the house of my God I give it to the house of my God:" (1 Chron. 29:3).

The Lord Said: “All the Earth Is Mine”

God is the Creator of all things and the Father of all mankind. Israel forms part of God's possession.

Israel's call has not been to privilege and rulership, but to service.

A Priestly Kingdom


A Priestly Kingdom is a kingdom where the citizens are all priests living entirely in God's service and ever enjoying the rights of access to Him.




This spiritual kingdom constitutes Israel's highest mission.

A Choice to Be a Holy Nation

The Lord God gave the people a choice to be a Holy Nation.



“Holy” means, separated from the false beliefs and the idolatry of the other nations.



Israel becomes holy by cleaving unto God by obeying His Torah.

Israel's Acceptance & Moses' Affirmation (vv. 7-9)

Israel unanimously accepts God's conditions:

⁷ And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

⁸ And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

Israel's Acceptance & Moses' Affirmation (vv. 7-9)

God told Moses He would appear in a "thick cloud" with two objectives (v. 9):

1. They must literally hear His voice (v. 9).
2. To solidify Moses' position so that they would "believe" him "forever" (v. 9).

The Preparation (Exodus 19:10-15)

Israel's Three-Day Sanctification:

First two days were for washing their clothes (v. 10) and abstaining from bodily pleasure (v. 15).

On the morning of the third day, they would present themselves before God.



Israel had to agree to His conditions before God required them to sanctify themselves.

God's Holiness Is Immutable & Deadly (Exodus 19:12-13)

- God sets boundaries around the "Mountain" (v. 12).
- God's holiness is deadly for the unworthy.
- Anyone who touches Sinai is immediately destroyed (v. 13).



God's Holiness Is Immutable & Deadly (Exodus 19:12)

- Under the Old Covenant, boundaries were set so that Israel could not enter the holy of holies.
- Under the New Covenant, because of the perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ, God's wrath towards sin and sinners is appeased.

Colossians 2:13-14

¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

¹⁴ Blotting out the **handwriting** of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

God's Earthly Kingdom Inaugurated

- God's earthly kingdom is inaugurated on Sinai with fire and the sounding of the angelic shofar (vv. 16-19).

¹⁸ And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

¹⁹ And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.



An Open Revelation (Ex. 20:1-3)

- At Sinai, the divine message came to rich and poor, old and young, learned and unlearned alike.
- At Sinai, the entire nation experienced prophecy; everyone heard God say,

“² I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

³ Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”

An Open Revelation; An Open Invitation

- Today, God is calling everyone to His Holy Mountain.
- The gospel is extended to everyone.
- God offers everyone a new covenant.
- He offers an opportunity to an exalted eternal future with Him.

Revelations 3:20

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."