**Exodus 19** 

## How To Relate To God

Exodus 19:1-6

# He's A Loving God: Obey

#### **Exodus 19:1-6**

4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup> Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; <sup>6</sup> and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

## 3 Ways He Loves Us:

Protecting

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- Bringing to Himself

## 2 Ways We Love Him:

- Obey His Voice
- Keep His Covenant
  - Romans 5:8 God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- John 14:15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
- John 14:21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

John 14:23-24 <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

#### Exodus 19:5

Now therefore, if you will indeed **obey** my voice and **keep** my covenant, you shall be my **treasured possession** among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; <sup>6</sup> and you shall be to me a **kingdom of priests** and a **holy nation**.'

## 3 Roles He Imparts To Us:

- Treasured Possession
- A Kingdom Of Priests
- A Holy Nation

#### The Church As Priests

- Priests offer sacrifices to God (1 Pet 2:5; cf. Rom 12:1; Heb 13:5,16; Phil 4:18; Rom 16:16)
- Priests proclaim praises towards God. (1 Pt 2:9)
- Priest offer prayers to God (1 Tim 2:1)

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Exodus 19:7-9a

# He's A Communicating God: Believe

## **Exodus** 19:7-9

Or so so with the second se people and set before them all these words that the Lord had **commanded** him. <sup>8</sup> All the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord has **spoken** we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord. 9a And the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I am coming to you in a thick cloud, that the people may **hear** when I **speak** with you, and may also believe you forever."

Exodus 19:9b-25

## He's A Holy God: Consecrate

## God Is Holy

- "Holy" = lit. "to separate", "to divide"
- Isaiah 40:25 To whom then will you liken Me, Or to whom shall I be equal?" says the Holy One.

## Exodus 19:16-17

On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud on the mountain and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled. <sup>17</sup> Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain.

#### **Exodus 19:18-20**

<sup>18</sup> Now Mount Sinai was **wrapped in smoke** because the Lord had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain trembled greatly. 19 And as the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him in 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.

## Consecrate

Exodus 19:10 Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments"

## Be Ready

- Exodus 19:6 and 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.
- Exodus 19:15 And he said to the people, "Be ready for the third day; do not go near a woman."

#### **Observe Limits**

Exodus 19:12-13 <sup>12</sup> And you shall set limits for the people all around, saying, 'Take care not to go up into the mountain or touch the edge of it. Whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death. 13 No hand shall touch him, but he shall be stoned or shot; whether beast or man, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain."

#### **Observe Limits**

**Exodus 19:23-24** <sup>23</sup> And Moses said to the Lord, "The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai, for you yourself warned us, saying, 'Set limits around the mountain and consecrate it." <sup>24</sup> And the Lord said to him, "Go down, and come up bringing Aaron with you. But do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the Lord, lest he break out against them."

## Conclusion:

Obey – If you know how much He loves us and protects us, we should have no problem following Him knowing He has our good and growth in mind.

#### Conclusion:

Believe – God could have left us in a vacuum to figure Him out on our own, but He spoke to us. Read His Word and believe!

## Conclusion:

 Consecrate – Prepare ourselves to meet God daily. Consecrate our life, time, things, family, opportunities. They all belong to Him.

## Discussion:

- What does God want you to do that you know you have not been doing?
- What has God been teaching us from His Word lately?
- What would a consecrated day to the Lord look like in a regular day of yours?