

The Bible: God's story of creation, rebellion, redemption, and new creation, with Jesus at the center.



The Five Books of Torah: God creates the universe and calls a people.

- **Outline: From creation and rebellion to the edge of the Promise Land through Abraham's family, Exodus, and wilderness**



Last week: In Exodus

God's power breaks through.

This week: Israel at Mount Sinai

(Exodus 19:16-20; 20:1-21)



Listen To: Exodus 15-40



Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, "I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Exodus 15:1



Structure of Exodus 20-31

(The Mosaic Covenant):

- **Instruction for the Moral Life of Israel**
 - Exodus 20
- **Instruction for the Social Life of Israel**
 - Exodus 21-24:11
- **Instruction for the Religious Life of Israel**
 - Exodus 24:12-31:18



Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient."

Exodus 24:7



I will dwell among the people of Israel and will be their God. And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt that I might dwell among them. I am the Lord their God.

Exodus 29:45-46



And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him, and brought the Lord's contribution to be used for the tent of meeting, and for all its service, and for the holy garments.

Exodus 35:21



⁵"The people bring much more than enough for doing the work that the Lord has commanded us to do."



⁶So Moses gave command, and word was proclaimed throughout the camp, "Let no man or woman do anything more for the contribution for the sanctuary." So the people were restrained from bringing, ⁷for the material they had was sufficient to do all the work, and more.

Exodus 36:5-7



Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

Exodus 40:34-35



**Learn From: Israel at Mount Sinai
demonstrates a holy God...**

-Exodus 19:16-20; 20:18-21



“At last Israel comes to the experience Moses had known on Mount Sinai, the experience toward which he has led them and for which not even what they had seen in Egypt or in their journey could have prepared them...God, who is holy, comes to his people, who are wholly other than holy.”

- John I. Durham



**Live By: Israel at Mount Sinai demonstrates
a holy God, who desires a holy people ...**

-Exodus 19:4-6; 20:1-17

- **The Ten Commandments =
The Decalogue (or “Ten Words”)**



“The influence of the Ten Words on Western morality and law is beyond calculation. They have come to be recognized as the basis of all public morality.”

- *Bernard L. Ramm*



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• Suzerain-Vassal Treaty



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**◦ Commandments #1-4: Relationship
with God (20:3-11)**

**◦ Commandments #5-10: Relationship
with Others (20:12-17)**



“Obedience then becomes a response of devotion and adoration to the Redeemer who set them free. It becomes loyal service, not enslavement to laws. The point could be worded this way: God requires that his covenant people, whom he has redeemed, and to whom he has revealed himself, give their absolute allegiance and obedience to him. This means they will worship and serve him and safeguard the well-being of each other.”

– NET Bible Study Note on Exodus 20:1-21

³⁶”Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸This is the great and first commandment.



³⁹And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:36-40



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**◦ Exodus 20:3-11; cf. Matthew 22:37-38 =
Love God**

**◦ Exodus 20:12-17; cf. Matthew 22:39 =
Love Others**



Let Others Know (Why?):

Israel at Mount Sinai demonstrates a holy God, who desires a holy people, who are devoted to a holy Savior ...



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.

1 Peter 2:9



Let Others Know (How?):

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³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,



⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Romans 8:3-4



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