

THE LIFE OF MOSES

I. The Covenant at Sinai (Exodus 19:1-8)

1. In His message to the Israelites, of what does the Lord remind them? (4)
2. What is the condition of the covenant He is proposing? (5)
3. What blessings would He provide Israel for their compliance? (5-6)
4. Peter recalls this passage in 1 Peter 2:5, 9-10. What responsibilities do we have as “priests” of God?
5. How did the people respond to the Lord’s proposal? (7-8)

II. Preparation for the Lord’s Arrival (Exodus 19:9-15)

1. What does the Lord want the people to experience, and for what purpose, when He comes to speak to Moses? (9)
2. What must the people do to prepare for the Lord’s arrival? (10-11, 15)
3. What would be forbidden when the Lord reaches the mountain? (12-14)
4. What do these provisions teach us about the nature of God?

III. The Lord Arrives at Sinai (Exodus 19:16-25)

1. What sights, sounds, and effects did the people witness on the third day, as the Lord arrived at the top of Mount Sinai?
2. What concern did the Lord reiterate about the people as He prepared to speak to them? (21)

IV. The Lord Speaks to the People (Exodus 20)

1. What did the Lord speak directly to the people of Israel at this scene? (1-17)
2. Given the dramatic scene, and the voice of God speaking to them, what did the people ask Moses? (18-19)
3. What was God’s purpose with this appearance? (20-21)

4. Moses retells this episode in Deuteronomy 5. Besides fear, what other attitudes did the Israelites express to Moses? (Deuteronomy 5:20-33, especially 25-27)
5. Was the Lord pleased with this arrangement? (Deuteronomy 5:28-29)
6. Read Hebrews 12:18-29. Jesus is our mediator of the new covenant, but should we be more, or less, mindful of the power of God than Israel?

V. Ratifying the Covenant (Exodus 24:1-11)

1. After receiving the ordinances in chapters 21-23, Moses returns to the people to ratify the covenant. What steps did that consist of?
 - 24:3a
 - 24:3b
 - 24:4a
 - 24:4b
 - 24:5
 - 24:6
 - 24:7a
 - 24:7b
 - 24:8
2. Who was invited to a special feast, and what did they see? (1, 9-11)

VI. Moses Returns to the Summit (Exodus 24:12-18)

1. How long did Moses end up remaining on the mountain? (18)
2. Who was left in charge while he was gone? (14)

VII. The Tabernacle (Exodus 25-31)

1. In these chapters, Moses receives instructions for building the ark of the covenant, the tabernacle and its furnishings, and various priestly accessories.
2. What purposes did the tabernacle serve? (see Exodus 40:34-38 for some)
3. What did Moses receive from the Lord at the end of this process? (31:18)