

Lesson 10: God Visits Mt. Sinai – Exodus 19

Three months after leaving Egypt, the Israelites were camped at Mt. Sinai. God told Moses that the people must be sanctified. They were to wash their bodies and their clothes so that they would be clean. In addition, God gave some specific instructions about the mountain. The people were not to go up on the mountain or to touch it or they would die. They were to set bounds around the mountain so that no one would go up to it. On the third day, the Lord promised that He would come down to the mountain.

The people all did as they had been told. They washed their bodies and their clothes and awaited the third day to come. On that day, smoke and a thick cloud appeared upon Mount Sinai. The mountain began to tremble greatly. The people were terrified as they heard great thunderings and lightening coming from the mountain. A loud trumpet began to sound. The trumpet became louder and louder and louder and the blast lasted longer and longer and longer.

God spoke outloud to Moses. He asked Moses to come to the mountain, and Moses obeyed. God spoke to Moses, giving him the 10 commandments. The people could hear God's own voice and they were very much afraid. They told Moses that they did not want to hear God's voice anymore. They wanted Moses to talk to God and then tell them what God wanted them to know.

God called Moses back up Mount Sinai. Aaron, Aaron's two sons, Joshua, and seventy elders went part of the way up the mountain with Moses. Only Moses went all the way up to the top of Mount Sinai where he received the 10 Commandments on tables of stone. God gave Moses many other instructions during this time also.

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1. After _____ months the people came to Sinai.
2. _____ was coming to the mountain in a cloud.
3. The people must _____ and be clean.
4. If they touched the mountain, they could _____.
5. On day _____ the people heard thunder, lightning, and a trumpet call.
6. The people were _____.
7. God gave them the _____ commandments.

T F 8. The people were afraid of God's voice.

T F 9. They wanted Moses to speak for God.

T F 10. Moses was a great leader.

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