God's Mighty Hand S



Lesson 10

God Visits Mount Sinai

Theme: We must have complete respect for God and decide to obey His will.

Memory Verse

"Then the cloud covered the Tent of Meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle." Exodus 40:34

Daily Bible Readings

Thursday Exodus 19:1-6 Friday Exodus 19:7-14 Saturday Exodus 19:16-25

Monday Nehemiah 9:13; Acts 7:37-38

Tuesday Hebrews 12:18-24

hen God spoke to Moses from the burning bush, He said He would give a sign to show He was with Moses. The sign would be that after escaping Egypt the people would worship at Mount Sinai (see Exodus 3:12). Now, three months after leaving Egypt, the Israelites camped right in front of Mount Sinai! God did just what He said He would do. At Mount Sinai, God would do something extremely important for His people.

Exodus 19:1-6

If people

would obey God, they would be: (circle all correct)

God's own possession

eagles

angels

a kingdom of priests

a holy nation

God Wants Israel to be His People

God called Moses to the top of Mount Sinai. How do you think Moses felt as He climbed I understand when I disobey my parents, I am showing disrespect for God.



Put an X in the light that best describes you.

Red — never

Yellow — sometimes

Green — all the time

the mountain knowing he would meet God? God spoke words to Moses that Moses was to speak to the Israelites. God reminded His people of all He had done for them and explained what He wanted for them.

Imagine a young eagle being pushed out of the nest to fly on its own. As it struggles, an adult eagle soars underneath the young bird to give security. God said He treated His people this way. He tenderly carried His people and powerfully delivered them from their enemies. God entered a covenant with His people by making promises to Abraham many years before. To enjoy the blessings of this covenant, each person must choose to obey God. Those who did would be God's own people, a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. Think about that!

Every person in Israel could belong to God as God's special person.

What a fantastic opportunity!

Exodus 19:7-14

True or

False? The people said they would obey God.

If someone came too close to the mountain or touched it, the people were supposed to:

put them to death
wash their clothes
make them bow down

Moses came down the mountain and put God's words before the people. The people answered and said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do!" They said the right words, but would they do what they said? We must ask ourselves this same question. Moses took the people's words back up to the Lord. For several days, Moses went up and down the mountain helping the people get ready for God to come down and speak to them.

God Comes Down on Mount Sinai

God planned to come down on Mount Sinai in a heavy cloud so people could hear

Him speak to Moses. God explained how people should prepare themselves for being so close to God. He said that people were to come near to the mountain, but not too close. God is a holy and awesome God, and people must respect this and keep their distance from Him. Being close to God was so serious that if anyone touched the mountain he was to be put to death.

Three days later, thunder roared and lightning flashed at Mount Sinai. A heavy cloud settled on the mountain and a loud trumpet sounded. The mountain shook and the trumpet sounded louder and louder. Think of what it was like to be standing at the foot of Mount Sinai that day. Moses

Exodus 19:16-25

How did the people act when God came down on Mount Sinai?

brought the people out of the camp to meet God. As they stood at the foot of the mountain, people were so afraid they were shaking.

God came down on Mount Sinai and called Moses to the top of the mountain.

Moses went back down the mountain to warn people not to come too

close. He and Aaron were to go up the mountain to hear what God would say.

Nehemiah 9:13; Acts 7:37-38

Describe the law God gave on Mount Sinai: (cross out incorrect answer)

living

true

hard

just

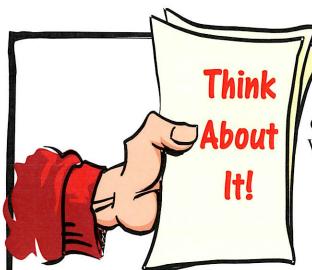
good

Hebrews 12:18-24

Moses was

full of when

he went up the mountain to talk with God.



Read Exodus 19:18-20 again. Imagine you were at the foot of Mount Sinai when God came down. How would you feel? What would you do?

High Five for the Bible Facts!

Which book in the Old Testament is about spying out the promised land and wandering in the Wilderness?

List the sons of Jacob. If you need help, see Genesis 35:23-26.

On a map inside the back cover, find the places Israel's enemies lived: Edom, Ammon, Moab, Philistia, Assyria/Babylon/Persia.

