

THDT Bible Study
January 13, 2021
God's First Instruction to Israel

Lesson Text: Exodus 19:1-9

Related Scriptures: Exodus 3:1,12; Exodus 6:1-8; Genesis 7:1-8; Deuteronomy 10:14-22; 28:7-14; 1 Peter 2:4-10; Leviticus 11:44; John 17:14-18; Numbers 10:11-12

Place: Mt. Sinai

Lesson Outline: (I) Israel Arrival at Sinai; Exodus 19:1-2
(II) God's Message for Israel; Exodus 19:3-6
(III) Israel's Commitment to The Lord

INTRODUCTION

Here we find the Israelites at a crucial juncture once again in their life history. They had been freed from the oppression of Pharaoh, and the Egyptians, they dealt with a lack of water, and food in the wilderness, they had to fight the Amalekites for survival, and now they face another potential problem. It is at this point that God was about to give the Israelites a more serious charge that would call the Israelites to total responsibility. Here in the book of Exodus Chp.19; God is preparing the Israelites for what has not yet been written, but only spoken of by His servant Moses. The charge was the law of God, the same law as we know it today, as the Ten Commandments.

God law, and instructions for the Israelites would regulate just about every aspect of their lives. The Israelites were to obey God's law, and the regulations of life, this would include their personal obligations to God, the priesthood, their worship to God, and their interpersonal relationship, this would certainly please God. Once the Israelites relationship was established, there was no turning back, no seeking exceptions, no quibbling about any values among themselves. God expected total commitment from His people, because God had rescued them, and called them to be His "Peculiar Treasure".

QUESTIONS

- (1) What were the two names of the mountain where Moses led the people? and why did Moses lead them there?
- (2) What two titles did God refer to Israel? and why?
- (3) What recent events God wanted the Isrealites to remember? and why?
- (4) What does this wording "pictures" say when God says how I bare you on Eagles wings?
- (5) What would the Isrealites have to do to become God's peculiar treasure? and why?
- (6) How would Israel fulfill the call to be "A Kingdom of Priests' '?
- (7) What is meant that Israel was a Holy Nation?
- (8) How does God's purpose for Israel parallel His purpose for the church?
- (9) What was the people's promise of obedience to God? explain if it was genuine?
- (10) How would God convince the people to trust Moses?

APPLICATION

We should believe God's word, even if it's given through many messengers, not because of the status of the messengers but because God's word is right all by itself, God is to be completely trusted. Therefore, as a Christian we need to understand that a response to God's word must include obedience on our part. Knowing this will determine that when we hear God's word through His appointed source, we will obey if we truly believe.

CONCLUSION

Today's scripture lesson is given for our enlightenment, and our encouragement. We can see from the experience of the children of Israel that faith in the revealed word of God, is the path of wisdom. We also have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit who is to guide us into all truth. We can also study the Bible, and obey the Lord's teaching, and we can trust in salvation through the death, and resurrection of Christ Jesus. Therefore, hearing the word of God with a previous commitment to obey is the appropriate attitude to have, and when we say "YES" to God's word, we must respond with genuine obedience, and a call to action by faith, and not by sight.