

## God's Glory on Mt. Sinai: Lesson 32 Visuals

- Moses and the Israelites were near Mt. Sinai, the mountain of God when Jethro came to visit.
- Mt. Sinai and Mt. Horeb are two names for the mountain of God, where God had spoken to Moses from the burning bush.
- Jethro gave Moses helpful advice to select trustworthy leaders who could help him.
- After Jethro left, Moses went up Mt. Sinai.



- The Lord told Moses that the Israelites would be God's people and God's Holy nation if they carefully obeyed God's covenant commands.
- When Moses told the Israelites that they would have to carefully obey God's covenant commandments in order to be His people, His kingdom of priests and His holy nation, the Israelites said "We will do all the LORD has spoken."
- Moses put boundaries around
   Mt. Sinai.



- Moses told the Israelites not to go past the boundaries because God's presence was going to come down on Mt. Sinai. It would be dangerous for sinners to get too close to the holy presence of God.
- If the Israelites crossed the boundaries and touched the mountain of God while God's presence was on the mountain, they would die.
- God was making a covenant with Israel so that they would be His people, His kingdom of priests and His holy nation.



- But the Israelites needed to obey God's covenant commandments for that to happen.
- The Israelites were afraid of God when they saw His presence come down on Mt. Sinai because they heard and saw thunder, lightning, very loud trumpet sound, fire, smoke, and the whole mountain shaking violently.
- The Israelites told Moses,
   "Don't let God speak to us, or we will die."



- Moses then said, "Don't be afraid, for God has come to test you, so that you will fear Him and will not sin."
- Moses said, "Don't be afraid, for God has come to test you." Tests are hard; but God tests us for our good.
- Through the testing process, we learn to trust the Lord.
- The fear of the Lord is to have such respect for the Lord that we want to obey Him.
- If we fear the Lord, we have nothing to be afraid of.



- If we don't listen and obey the Lord, we have reasons to be afraid because we are walking away from God's protection, provision and blessing.
- The 10 Commandments are first given in the Bible in Exodus 20.
- In Exodus 20, the Lord said, "I am the God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the place of slavery."
- Commandment #1 is "There is one God and you shall have no other gods."

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- Commandment #1 motion: hold up pointer finger saying, "There is one God." Then wave that finger back and forth to the right and left saying, "you shall have no other gods."
- Commandment #2 is "Do not make an idol and do not bow in worship to an idol."
- Commandment #2 motion: hold up together pointer finger and middle finger saying, "Do not make an idol." Bend fingers down saying, "do not bow down to an idol."



## **Key Verses**:

Proverbs 1:7 "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline."

Proverbs 8:13 "To fear the Lord is to hate evil."

Proverbs 15:1 "A gentle answer turns away anger, but a harsh word stir up anger."