

**It's Up to You**  
**Exodus 19.1-8**  
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**Introduction:** Sinai... vs. 1-2

Where is it? Desert or wilderness?

How did they get there?

Why is what happened at Mt. Sinai so important?

But this chapter is about three things: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Observations:**

1. Moses \_\_\_\_\_ the defining covenant of the OT

The Structure of Covenants

Parties are identified

Historical prologue

Stipulation

Promise of blessing / Malediction is implied

Mediated

Sealed with a sign

Deposited

It's important to note that this is not an offer of  
\_\_\_\_\_.

The implication of this covenant is huge because it  
looms over the \_\_\_\_\_ from here on in.

As Babylon carries away the princes of Israel,  
Jeremiah makes a watershed prophecy: Jeremiah  
31.31-37...

This the new covenant Jesus is referring to in Luke 22:

God is inviting people into covenant with himself.  
-- <sup>16</sup> ***“For God so loved the world, that he gave  
his only Son,***

The stipulation is faith -- ***that whoever believes  
in him***

The promise is eternal life -- ***should not perish  
but have eternal life.*** - ***John 3.16***

The mediator of the new covenant is Christ -  
***Hebrews 9.15; 12.24***

The seal of the new covenant is baptism by  
immersion - ***Romans 6.3-4***

For a much more explanation of the new covenant  
read ***Hebrews 8-12***

1. Moses \_\_\_\_\_ the people

They have to wash their \_\_\_\_\_ but not  
their bodies

Moses adds an element that God doesn't mention:  
\_\_\_\_\_

The idea is that the people are to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves for an encounter with the living God

What is interesting here is the fact that consecration is a \_\_\_\_\_ venture where under the new covenant mediated by Christ the act of consecration is done by \_\_\_\_\_...

Ephesians 1:7, Hebrews 9:14, 1 Peter 1:19, Revelation 5:9, Revelation 12:11

Revelation 7:14:

2. Moses \_\_\_\_\_ with God

One of the key points is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Moses as he is enveloped in the cloud and God bestows authority upon him:

The \_\_\_\_\_: Matthew 17.5; John 12.28ff.

As in John 12, the trumpet blast and the thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ to be the voice of God. Moses heard the voice of God summoning him so he responded obediently

One of the key things that is communicated is the \_\_\_\_\_ from touching the mountain.

Revelation in the storm is a \_\_\_\_\_ motif (Gen 3.8; Job 38.1; Isa 29.6; Nah 1.3) but God also speaks in whisper cf. 1Kings 19.9-13

## Implications

1. Israel is defined as a holy nation, a group of people set apart for the purpose of God
  - a. Through example - 1Peter 2.12
  - b. Through proclamation - Romans 10.17
2. Israel is defined in as a nation of faith
  - a. Galatians 3.28-29; Romans 3.30
  - b. Romans 9-11; Ephesians 2.11-21
3. We can approach God without fear
  - a. Hebrews 4.16-17
  - b. Hebrews 12.18-24

## Invitation

- God is inviting us to participate in the greatest story ever told
- God is inviting us to be join his family
- God is inviting us into his presence

“We are the Bibles the world is reading; we are the creeds the world is needing; we are the sermons the world is heeding.” - Billy Graham

<sup>15</sup> But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” - Joshua 24.15