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"God on the Mountain"

Exodus 19:16-25

Memory Verses: Romans 3:22b-24

Big Idea: God reveals himself to his people so they will worship him.

I. God Is Almighty (19:16-20)

A. "This terrible spectacle was partly to set the presence of God before their eyes, that His majesty might urge the beholders to obedience, and vindicate His doctrine from contempt, and partly to express the nature of the Law, which in itself produces nothing but mere terror" (John Calvin).

B. Romans 11:33

II. God Is Holy (19:12, 21, 18)

A. To be holy means to be cut off, or separate, from everything else. It is to be in a class of your own.

B. To be holy means to be completely pure all the time and in every way possible.

C. Exodus 15:11

III. God Is Dangerous (19:21-25)

A. 1 Chronicles 13:5-14

B. "God is the only comfort; He is also the supreme terror: the thing we most need and the thing we most want to hide from. He is our only possible ally, and we have made ourselves His enemies. Some people talk as if meeting the gaze of absolute goodness would be fun. They need to think again. They are still only playing with religion. Goodness is either the great safety or the great danger—according to the way you react to it. And we have reacted the wrong way" (C. S. Lewis).

C. "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Hebrews 10:31).

D. "For our God is a consuming fire" (Hebrews 12:29).

Conclusion

A. Mark 10:45

B. Romans 3:21-24

C. The Gospel Definition