

## **Sermon Notes**

### **Exodus 19**

This week we discussed the holiness of God and why it is so important that we know His character if we are going to approach Him. In Exodus 19 we see the nation of Israel being introduced to the God who performed all the amazing works and wonders to deliver them from the hand of the Egyptians. Here at Mt. Sinai, Moses is summoned to the top of the mountain to receive instructions for how this meeting is to take place. He returns and tells them how to prepare themselves for meeting the God of the universe. They are told to consecrate themselves for three days so that they will be ready to meet with God. They are also told to keep their distance when they approach Him. If they or anyone else or an animal crosses the boundary that has been established, they will be put to death. God arrives as fire on the mountain, and they experience an earthquake all of Israel is terrified! God is so holy that Israel needs to recognize He is unlike anyone or anything they have ever known. As Moses warns the people it is a reminder that we must warn people about the holiness of God. Without understanding God's holiness, we miss out on the fullness of the Gospel. May this week's message challenge and encourage you in your walk with Jesus Christ.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

### **Approaching The Holy**

#### **Exodus 19**

**The holiness of God demands that you...**

**Remember all God has done and all God expects (1-9)**

**Respond with a desire for a sanctified life (10-15)**

**Know and honor His holy character (16-20)**

**Warn others of His holiness (20-25)**

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email [info@bravechurch.online](mailto:info@bravechurch.online) and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

### **Questions**

1. Why do we need to remember all that God has done for us? How does remembering what God has done help us when we are faced with a current trial? What could Moses have reminded Israel about how God worked to deliver them?
2. Why does God require those He delivers and sets free to be obedient to His voice? Why does He require us to adhere to His commands? How important is it for the believer to progressively/increasingly grow in sanctification?
3. What does God promise Israel if they do what He requires? How would God use them as a nation to bless the world? What does it mean that they would be a kingdom of priests? How were they to represent God to the world?
4. How does looking back at God's accomplishments, living presently in obedience and living expectantly for what God will bring to pass make a difference in our lives? Where do you need to spend more time to see the character of God? Looking back? Living presently? Living expectantly?
5. Why must we respond to God with a desire for a holy life? What part do we play on a human side in our growth in sanctification? If we are stubborn and do not desire to live holy life how does that hinder spiritual growth?
6. What is holiness? What does it mean God is holy? Why is it imperative to understand God's holiness in order to truly understand the gospel? What happens if we do not understand God's holiness and just understand his love? How does that hinder our entire understanding of the Gospel?
7. Why must we know and honor God's character? Read Isaiah 6:1-8, Revelation 1:12-17 and Revelation 4:5-11. In reading and hearing these verses what picture do they attribute to God's holiness? What is the human response in the Scriptures from those who know God?
8. Why should we have a true picture of Jesus on this side of heaven? What happens when we die and face judgment? When people die, what are the two possible statements they will hear from Jesus depending on how they responded to him on earth? Will you hear Jesus say, "Depart from me you evil doer?" or will you hear, "Well done good and faithful servant?" How do you know? Have you repented and trusted Christ?
9. Why must we warn others about God's holiness? How certain is it that people will die and then meet God? How important is it that we explain what happens to people when they die?
10. What is your greatest take-a-way from this week's message? What do you need to apply right now in your life?