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Unit 5 • Session 2

GOD GAVE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 19-20

WHAT IS WORSHIP? WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING THE GREATNESS OF GOD.

The Israelites came to Mount Sinai. God had chosen the Israelites as His special people and wanted them to understand what that relationship should look like.

Moses went up the mountain. God told him, "Tell the Israelites: 'If you listen carefully to Me and you keep My covenant, you will be My people.' "

All the people responded, "We will do all that the Lord has spoken."

God came down on Mount Sinai in a fire. Smoke covered the mountain. God said, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt."

Then God gave Moses the Ten Commandments: "Do not have other gods besides Me. Do not make an idol for yourself. Do not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. Do not murder. Keep your marriage promises. Do not steal. Do not lie. Do not want what belongs to someone else."

When the people heard God talking to Moses, they were afraid. "Do not be afraid," Moses said. "God wants you to fear Him so that you will not sin."

Moses went further up the mountain. For 40 days, God gave Moses many more laws. When God was finished speaking to Moses on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses two stone tablets that He had written on with His own finger.

Christ Connection: God's law shows us what He requires. Our sin separates us from a holy God, but Jesus came to bring us back to God. When we trust in Jesus, He takes away our sin and gives us His perfect righteousness.

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Unit 5 • Session 3

THE PEOPLE WORSHIPED A GOLDEN CALF

Exodus 32-34

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Moses was on Mount Sinai for 40 days and 40 nights. The Israelites at the bottom of the mountain were getting impatient. The Israelites went to Moses' brother, Aaron. "Make us a god to lead us," they said. "We don't know what happened to Moses." So Aaron collected gold from the people and made a statue of a calf that they could worship.

God saw what the people were doing, and He was angry. "I will destroy these people," God said.

Moses said, "Remember the great promise You made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob." So God did not destroy them.

Moses went down the mountain and saw that the people were dancing before the golden calf! He threw down the stone tablets. Then he destroyed the golden calf.

The next day, Moses went back up the mountain to talk to God. "Please forgive their sin."

God told Moses to return to the people and lead them. "When the time comes, I will punish them for their sin," God said.

God continued to meet with Moses and give him laws and instructions. God came down in a cloud. He said, "The LORD is a compassionate and gracious God ... but He will not leave the guilty unpunished."

Moses bowed down and worshiped God. "Lord, please go with us," he said. "Forgive our sin, and accept us as Your people."

Christ Connection: Moses acted as the people's mediator, standing for them before God. Moses could not do anything to make up for their sin, but we have a better Mediator—Jesus. Jesus paid for our sin on the cross and stands for us before God. When we trust in Jesus, our sins are forgiven.

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