



Scripture Scavenger Hunt #10

The Ten Commandments

Pharaoh let the Israelites leave Egypt after the oldest son in each home was killed in the tenth plague. However, after the Israelites left Pharaoh pursued them with his army. So, God parted the Red Sea, to give the Israelites a way to escape. After the Israelites passed through the sea it collapsed on The Egyptians and killed them. God led the Israelites in a pillar of smoke during the day and a pillar of fire at night as they walked to the Promised Land. He also provided them manna and quail to eat. Yet, Israel continually complained about their hardships. Along the way, God gave Moses Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai.



Read Exodus 20:1-26

How do you feel toward someone who makes you follow their rules? How does God introduce the Ten Commandments? Why does He introduce them this way? How do we feel about God imposing commandments on us? How can constraints on behaviors and attitudes be a good thing?

Moses tells the people, ***“Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of Him upon you so that you do not sin.”*** In what sense ought we “fear” God? Why should we not be afraid of Him? Which Commandment does God re-state later in the chapter? Why do you think He emphasizes that one?

Look up Exodus 32:1-6

What do the people want Aaron to do for them? Why do they ask this of him? What reason do they give for their request? What did the people expect to happen if God merely spoke to them (Ex. 20:19)? What ought they expect will happen to them when Aaron fulfills their request?

Continue with Exodus 32:11-14

What reason does Moses give in his appeal to God to spare the people? How might this instruct us when we pray for God’s mercy in light of our own sins or the sins of others? How does Moses respond to the people’s actions (see Ex. 32:19)?

Conclude with Exodus 32:25-35

How can a loving God command such a severe response to the peoples’ actions? What’s Ex. 32:33 mean?

Search out Mt. 5:17-20; 48

What does Jesus say about keeping the law? What hope do we “law breakers” have? (Gal. 2:16-20)



E-mail Ryan (rraschurch@gmail.com) with thoughtful responses to these questions by Wednesday to be in a drawing for a gift card! We’ll discuss the Scripture Scavenger Hunt at Bible study the following Sunday by Zoom at 7pm. Enjoy your search!



www.cornerstonegoldsoboro.org

