



God's Promise - Plan

Exodus 19 & 20

Lesson 4

Read Exodus 20:1-20

Read Exodus 20:1-20 in a Children's Bible. Or, click on the link below to watch the recap of Exodus 14-24 from Saddleback Kids:

Moses in the Wilderness (Exodus 14-24)

Talk it out: Exodus 20:1-20

1. What happened in this story?
2. What were the commandments for?
3. Why do you think the people were afraid of God?
4. Have you ever broken one of God's commandments?
5. Repeat the Ten Commandments: *Do not worship other gods. Do not make idols to worship. Do not take God's name in vain. Keep the Sabbath day holy. Respect your parents. Do not murder. Do not commit adultery. Do not steal. Do not tell lies about others. Do not covet.*

What is God's Holiness?

Taken from: *Long Story Short* by Marty Machowski

Most people don't realize that if they saw God's face or touched God they would die. They think of God as a good guy, like a good friend, but they don't realize that God is also holy.

God's holiness means that he doesn't have any sin at all, and he must remain set apart from sin. If sin comes near, God destroys it because sin is evil and he is good.

That is why God warned Moses to set up a boundary around the mountain where he was. That way, the people would not accidentally get too close and have God punish them for their sin. God had a plan to save them from their sin, but if they didn't follow his plan they would die.

Why didn't Moses die when he walked on the mountain?

Moses didn't die because God chose Moses and gave him faith in God's plan. God's plan was to save his people through his Son Jesus. So when Moses had faith in God's plan he was trusting in Jesus. God knew that one day Jesus would die for Moses' sins and he overlooked them.

6. Play the Ten Commandments Game. Give a commandment and have then guess if it is one of God's Ten Commandments.

You shall not lie and bear false witness against your neighbor. (9) You shall not mix peanut butter with marshmallow fluff.

You shall not take the Lord's name in vain. (3)

You shall not take your neighbor's wife for yourself. (7)

You shall not ride your bike in the rain.

You shall love birthday presents more than anything.

I am the Lord God; you shall have no other gods before me. (1)

I am your teacher; you shall always bring me gifts.

You shall not make for yourself an idol in the shape of anything at all. (2)

Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy. (4)

Honor your father and mother and you will get better Christmas gifts.

Honor your father and mother that you may live long in the land. (5)

You shall not murder. (6)

You shall not mix vanilla and chocolate ice cream in the same dish.

You shall not steal. (8)

You shall not cover your neighbor's firewood with a tarp.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house or anything he owns. (10)

7. Draw a large heart on your paper. Inside the heart draw a picture of something you are tempted to worship—love more than God.
8. God's laws are not easy to keep. James 2:10 says, "For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it." We can never satisfy God's demands for holiness for no one can keep God's law. We are all sinners in need of a Savior (Romans 3:10).
9. Who was the only person able to keep all of the law for all of the days of his life?
10. True or False. Jesus was able to obey the law perfectly. When we trust in Jesus, we get the benefit of Jesus' righteousness given to us in exchange for our sin.

Prayer: Father God, thank you for giving us Jesus, our Savior that we needed. Amen.

Memory Verse: "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21