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FULFILLING THE PURPOSE OF OUR REDEMPTION

An Exposition of the Book of Exodus

PART 22

HE IS NOT SAFE

Approaching the Unapproachable

(Exodus 19:9-25)

INTRODUCTION:

PREVIOUSLY... EXODUS 19:1-8

1. The **Mountain** (19:1-2):

"...and there Israel camped in front of the mountain."

- The story of a **promise kept**.

"...when you have brought the people out of Egypt, **you shall worship God at this mountain.**"

—Exodus 3:12

2. The **Mediator** (19:3):

"Now **Moses went up to God**, and Yahweh called to him from the mountain..."

- Moses was not only God's instrument of **redemption**, but he was also God's instrument of **revelation**.

3. The **Message** (19:4-6):

"...how I lifted you up on eagles' wings and **brought you to Myself**.⁵ So now then, if you will indeed listen to My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be **My treasured possession among all the peoples**, for all the earth is Mine;⁶ and **you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.**"

- "You are **Mine**... for I have **redeemed** you."
- The **metaphor**, the **motivation**, and the **mission** of redemption.
 - The foundational language of the Mosaic Covenant is **love**, not **law**! The Law was never intended to be a way **to** life, but a way **of** life.
 - You are to be **set apart to** Me and a **light for** Me.
- Set apart,... but not in _____, but as an _____ of living for the _____ of _____ and extending an _____ to the same end.

CONTINUING... EXODUS 19:9-25

- Exodus 19 begins with God's _____ His people, but it continues with God's _____ His people.
- The first speaks of God's _____ — He is _____ us.
The second speaks of His _____ — He is _____ us.

APPROACHING THE UNAPPROACHABLE: _____ :

1A. THERE IS NO APPROACHING YAHWEH WITHOUT _____ .

"The LORD also said to Moses, 'Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments; and let them be ready for the third day...'" (v. 10-11a)

2A. THERE IS NO APPROACHING YAHWEH WITHOUT _____ .

"...for on the third day the LORD will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people." (v. 11b) "... When the ram's horn sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain." (v. 13b)

3A. THERE IS NO APPROACHING YAHWEH WITHOUT _____ .

"You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Beware that you do not go up on the mountain or touch the border of it; whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death. 13 'No hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot through; whether beast or man, he shall not live.'" (v. 12-13a)

4A. THERE IS NO APPROACHING YAHWEH WITHOUT _____ .

"So it came about on the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunder and lightning flashes and a thick cloud upon the mountain and a very loud trumpet sound, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled." (v. 16)

CONCLUSION: FROM MT. SINAI TO MT. ZION (HEBREWS 12:18-24)

- The _____ which we _____ and _____ which we is unlike any other (12:18-24).
- Mt. Sinai is _____ but _____ ! (v. 18-21) Whereas Mt. Zion is _____ but _____ ! (v. 22-24)
- Because of Christ, we approach not only in _____ and _____, but in _____ and _____ !

"See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking."

—Hebrews 12:25a