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EXODUS SERMON SERIES

SERMON LISTENING GUIDE // DATE: _____

Exodus 20:22-26; 22:16-31 // ²² And the Lord said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the people of Israel: 'You have seen for yourselves that I have talked with you from heaven. ²³ You shall not make gods of silver to be with me, nor shall you make for yourselves gods of gold. ²⁴ An altar of earth you shall make for me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen. In every place where I cause my name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you. ²⁵ If you make me an altar of stone, you shall not build it of hewn stones, for if you wield your tool on it you profane it. ²⁶ And you shall not go up by steps to my altar, that your nakedness be not exposed on it.'

¹⁶ "If a man seduces a virgin who is not betrothed and lies with her, he shall give the bride-price for her and make her his wife. ¹⁷ If her father utterly refuses to give her to him, he shall pay money equal to the bride-price for virgins. ¹⁸ "You shall not permit a sorceress to live. ¹⁹ "Whoever lies with an animal shall be put to death. ²⁰ "Whoever sacrifices to any god, other than the Lord alone, shall be devoted to destruction. ²¹ "You shall not wrong a sojourner or oppress him, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²² You shall not mistreat any widow or fatherless child. ²³ If you do mistreat them, and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry, ²⁴ and my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children fatherless. ²⁵ "If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be like a moneylender to him, and you shall not exact interest from him. ²⁶ If ever you take your neighbor's cloak in pledge, you shall return it to him before the sun goes down, ²⁷ for that is his only covering, and it is his cloak for his body; in what else shall he sleep? And if he cries to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate. ²⁸ "You shall not revile God, nor curse a ruler of your people. ²⁹ "You shall not delay to offer from the fullness of your harvest and from the outflow of your presses. The firstborn of your sons you shall give to me. ³⁰ You shall do the same with your oxen and with your sheep: seven days it shall be with its mother; on the eighth day you shall give it to me. ³¹ "You shall be consecrated to me. Therefore you shall not eat any flesh that is torn by beasts in the field; you shall throw it to the dogs.

Relational Flourishing

Exodus 20:22-26; 22:16-31

What relationships in your life need to be right for you to flourish?

I. Your relationship with sin

- A. Dealing with sin through human effort (20:23, 25, 26)
- B. Dealing with sin through God's provision (20:24)

II. Your relationship with others

- A. The command to love (22:16-27; Lev. 19:34; Deut. 10:18-19)
- B. The reason we fail to love (22:20)

III. Your relationship with God

- A. Taking God lightly (22:28)
- B. The result of taking God lightly (22:29-31)
- C. The weightiness of Christ

APPLICATION GUIDE

1. In what ways do you try to polish up your sin? What keeps you from confessing your sin transparently and honestly?
2. How do you relate to the weak, vulnerable, and outsiders? How is idolatry keeping you from loving them well?
3. What is the evidence that you are taking God lightly? In what area of life do you need the weightiness of Christ to keep you from idolatry?