

Exodus Series Part 24
Exodus 31-32
Moses the Mediator

Exodus 31:1-11

1. We are filled for a purpose.

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

1 Corinthians 12:4 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

Exodus 31:12-17

2. Jesus is our Sabbath rest.

Acts 15:28-29 For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things: 29 that you abstain from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well.

Matthew 11:28-30 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

Do Christians need to keep the Sabbath? No

- The Sabbath was the sign to Israel of the Mosaic Covenant (Exodus 31:16-17; Ezekiel 20:12; Nehemiah 9:14). Since we are now under the New Covenant (Hebrews 8), we are no longer required to observe the sign of the Mosaic Covenant.

Colossians 2:16-17 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, 17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ.

Acts 20:7 Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.

Hebrews 4:9-11 There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. 10 For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. 11 Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.

Exodus 32:1-6

1 Corinthians 10:6-7 Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted. 7 And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.”

3. Waiting on God is difficult.

Exodus 32:7-10

Exodus 32:11-14

4. Christ is our mediator

1 Timothy 2:5-6 “For *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the Man* Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all...”

Did God change His mind?

Numbers 23:19 God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it? (ESV)

- #1 This is written from man’s perspective... attributing human qualities to God to give us an understanding ... anthropomorphism
- #2 God had two options and He had the right to choose either one

Exodus 32:15-18

Exodus 32:19-24

5. What is our reaction when caught?

#1 - Transfer the blame

#2 - Mitigate the sin

#3 - Minimize the responsibility

Exodus 32:25-29

6. Sin must be removed

Exodus 32:30-35

Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

Revelation 20:15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Psalms 69:29 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, And not be written with the righteous.