God's People Guarded and Kept
Exodus 23:20-33

Main Point: God is guarding and keeping a people for Himself.

I. What we need to understand about this text:
1. This passage is the epilogue to "The Book of The Covenant" (20:22-23:33)

2. The promise of the Promised Land

3. The Christ of the Promised Land

II. Four Truths That Need To Be Told:
1. The people of God are guarded and kept by God's chosen Mediator (20, 21)

2. The people of God are kept and guarded to be holy and devoted to God (22, 24, 25, 32-33; Leviticus 26:12; Revelation 21:3-4; James 4:8)

3. God's people are guarded and kept for mission (27-31)

4. God is guarding and keeping His people for their final rest (25-26).

"It is true, of course, that what is an unspeakable gift of God for the lonely individual is easily disregarded and trodden underfoot by those who have the gift everyday. It is easily forgotten that the fellowship of Christian brethren is a gift of grace…Therefore, let him who [has it] praise God's grace from the bottom of his heart. Let him thank God on his knees and declare: It is grace, nothing but grace, that we are allowed to live. In community with Christian brethren." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together