LIVING LIFE GOD'S WAY

Wednesday, October 21, 2026
Exodus 23:1-33 (NASB95)

1. PRACTICE GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS. (1-9)

Exodus 23:1-33 (NASB95) 1"You shall not bear a false report; do not join your hand
with a wicked man to be a malicious witness. 2"You shall not follow the masses in doing
evil, nor shall you testify in a dispute so as to turn aside after a multitude in order to
pervert justice; 3nor shall you be partial to a poor man in his dispute. 4"If you meet your
enemy's ox or his donkey wandering away, you shall surely return it to him. 5"If you see
the donkey of one who hates you lying helpless under its load, you shall refrain from
leaving it to him, you shall surely release it with him. 6"You shall not pervert the justice
due to your needy brother in his dispute. 7"Keep far from a false charge, and do not kill
the innocent or the righteous, for I will not acquit the guilty. 8"You shall not take a bribe,
for a bribe blinds the clear-sighted and subverts the cause of the just. 9"You shall not
oppress a stranger, since you yourselves know the feelings of a stranger, for you also
were strangers in the land of Egypt.

REFUSE TO SPREAD FALSEHOODS.

RESPOND WITH KINDNESS TO YOUR ENEMIES.

REMAIN COMMITTED TO JUSTICE.

2. PRIORITIZE GOD'S WORSHIP. (10-19)

10"You shall sow your land for six years and gather in its yield, 11but on the seventh year
you shall let it rest and lie fallow, so that the needy of your people may eat; and
whatever they leave the beast of the field may eat. You are to do the same with your
vineyard and your olive grove. 12"Six days you are to do your work, but on the seventh
day you shall cease from labor so that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son
of your female slave, as well as your stranger, may refresh themselves. 13"Now
concerning everything which I have said to you, be on your guard; and do not mention
the name of other gods, nor let them be heard from your mouth. 14"Three times a year
you shall celebrate a feast to Me. 15"You shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread;
for seven days you are to eat unleavened bread, as I commanded you, at the appointed
time in the month Abib, for in it you came out of Egypt. And none shall appear before
Me empty-handed. 16"Also you shall observe the Feast of the Harvest of the first fruits of
your labors from what you sow in the field; also the Feast of the Ingathering at the end
of the year when you gather in the fruit of your labors from the field. 17"Three times a
year all your males shall appear before the Lord GOD. 18"You shall not offer the blood of
My sacrifice with leavened bread; nor is the fat of My feast to remain overnight until
morning. 19"You shall bring the choice first fruits of your soil into the house of the LORD
your God. "You are not to boil a young goat in the milk of its mother.

REMEMBER GOD'S PROVISION.

RESPECT GOD'S PATTERN OF REST.

RECOGNIZE GOD THROUGH WORSHIP.

3. PURSUE GOD'S DIRECTION. (20-33)

20 "Behold, I am going to send an angel before you to guard you along the way and to
bring you into the place which I have prepared. 21 "Be on your guard before him and
obey his voice; do not be rebellious toward him, for he will not pardon your
transgression, since My name is in him. 22 "But if you truly obey his voice and do all that I
say, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries.
23 "For My angel will go before you and bring you in to the land of the Amorites, the
Hittites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hivites and the Jebusites; and I will
completely destroy them. 24 "You shall not worship their gods, nor serve them, nor do
according to their deeds; but you shall utterly overthrow them and break their sacred
pillars in pieces. 25 "But you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread
and your water; and I will remove sickness from your midst. 26 "There shall be no one
miscarrying or barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days. 27 "I will send My
terror ahead of you, and throw into confusion all the people among whom you come,
and I will make all your enemies turn their backs to you. 28 "I will send hornets ahead of
you so that they will drive out the Hivites, the Canaanites, and the Hittites before you.
29 "I will not drive them out before you in a single year, that the land may not become
desolate and the beasts of the field become too numerous for you. 30 "I will drive them
out before you little by little, until you become fruitful and take possession of the land.
31 "I will fix your boundary from the Red Sea to the sea of the Philistines, and from the
wilderness to the River Euphrates; for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your
hand, and you will drive them out before you. 32 "You shall make no covenant with them
or with their gods. 33 "They shall not live in your land, because they will make you sin
against Me; for if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to you."

FOLLOW GOD'S LEADING.

FORSAKE COMPETING ALLEGIANCES.

FAITHFULLY TRUST GOD'S TIMING.