

Old Testament
Spring 2022
Session 3
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COVENANT



Jeremiah 32:40

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge..." (Prov 1:7 KJV).

"I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies" (Ps 119:125 KJV).

“What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet” (Rom 7:7 KJV).

Instructional Overview

Topics

- Mosaic/Sinai/Israel Covenants, Ten Commandments, and Holiness of God

Lesson Big Ideas

- God gave Israel the Mosaic Covenant. This covenant defines sin. As a conditional covenant, God provides blessings for the obedient and curses for the disobedient.
- The Mosaic Covenant sets the bar very high for holiness. Humans cannot obey the Mosaic Covenant (Law) fully. The Law reveals our need for a Savior.
- God is a Holy God. Humans on our own cannot come close to His level of righteousness.

Essential Questions

- Why does the Mosaic Covenant play an important role in redemptive history?
- As part of the Mosaic Covenant, why do the Ten Commandments hold importance even today?
- How does recognizing God as a Holy God and the high standard of holiness in the Mosaic covenant reveal our need for a Savior?

Lesson Outcomes

- Analyze the importance of the Mosaic Covenant and its place in redemptive history by writing a 350-500-word essay (Standards 2.2, 3.1)
- Analyze the Ten Commandments and provide translation from Hebrew for various words through small group discussions and whole class debriefings (Standards 3.3a, 7.1a, and 7.1b)
- Examine God as a Holy God and explain our need for a Savior by writing a 350-500 word-essay using scripture references and comparing and contrasting God’s holiness to ours (Standard 3.2)

Scripture Talk (Rom 7:7)

Directions:

- Carefully read Rom 7:7.
- Working in groups as assigned, write your thoughts about the verse.
- Groups will report out.
- When groups debrief, the teacher will choose one person (only) to report out for the group.

Notes:

Review Prior Lesson

Notes:

Discovery: Mosaic/Sinai Covenant

**Activity
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Group Analysis

Directions:

- Class will work in assigned groups.
- Each group will analyze different commandments and look up specific highlighted words from them in Hebrew for a more complete understanding.
- Reflect on why each individual commandment is important.
- Use blueletterbible.org or another bible study website that uses Strong's to get Hebrew transliteration and the definition.
- Groups will debrief.

Exodus 20:1-17

- ¹ And God spake all these words, saying,
- ² I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- ³ Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- ⁴ Thou shalt not make unto thee any **graven** image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.
- ⁵ Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the **iniquity** of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;
- ⁶ And shewing **mercy** unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- ⁷ Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in **vain**; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
- ⁸ Remember the sabbath day, to keep it **holy**.

- 9 Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work:
- 10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:
- 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- 12 Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 13 Thou shalt not kill.
- 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- 15 Thou shalt not steal.
- 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

Notes:

Redemptive History of the Old Testament: Session Three Homework
Due: April 21, 2022

Read:

Review lesson information and Scriptures.

Essays:

**See syllabus for directions and tips.

Prompt 1: Write a 350 to 500-word essay on the Mosaic Covenant.

1. Describe the importance of the Mosaic Covenant (even for today) and the place it has in God's redemptive history.

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Prompt 2: Write a 350 to 500-word essay on God's holiness.

1. Write about God's holiness as best as you can.
2. Give Old Testament scriptural references of God's holiness and discuss them.
3. Also, reflect on your holiness compared to God's.

Submit the subject matter for the oral presentation by next week. Also, send a dry run video to the teacher using Facebook Messenger. Have the video last one minute and just talk.

Extra Credit (20 points): On YouTube, watch *Finding the Mountain of Moses: The Real Mount Sinai in Saudi Arabia* (The Ryan Mauro Show). Write a 200-word paper on the information given in the video and your reflection about it.