
Old Testament Israel: Law, Judges, Kingdoms

This Week: Law 1/3 – Genesis and Exodus – Establishment

Next Week: Law 2/3 – Leviticus – Organization and content

Following: Law 3/3 – Deuteronomy – One nation under God

Lesson Text:

Genesis 2:16-17, 3:14-19 Laws to Adam – still apply or not?

Genesis 9-6 Laws to Noah – still apply or not?

1. vs 1, 7 – Make babies, fill the earth, i.e. spread out to all regions
2. vs 2-4 – Eat all the green plants, anything that moves
3. vs 5-6 – Murder to be punished by death (extended to man-slaying animals)

Exodus 19:1-8 God offers a deal to Israelites, they initially accept.

Exodus 19:9-20:22 The 10 Commandments

1. 19:9, 24-25, 20:18-19, 21-22 Spoken aloud to all the people
2. 20:3, 4, 7, 8, 12-17 The 10 commandments

Exodus 20:23-23:33 Additional laws of either spiritual or civil nature

Exodus 24:1-11, 12-18 Israelites formally accept the covenant

Exodus 25-31:18 Laws concerning the tabernacle and priests

Exodus 24:12,32:15-16, 19, 34:1-4, 28, 40:20 The stone tablets

Exodus 34:10-26 Laws concerning Canaanites and worship

Exodus 40:33-38 The Shekinah glory of God in the tabernacle

Discussion:

- **Discuss** the dispensational application of the Adamic and Noahic covenants – how do they relate to each other? The author is God - How are these laws terminated or superseded?
- **Discuss** the dispensational application of the Mosaic law.
- **Discuss** the symbolic actions of smashing the tablets, replacing them.
- **Discuss** the expressions of power and glory which God uses in representing Himself to the Israelites, and also as this extends to Moses and the tabernacle.
- **Note** the word “Shekinah” denotes the presence of God

Open Question:

Why do modern Christians embrace the 10 commandments?