Exodus Bible study Lesson 4

THE HOPE AND VISION OF GOD

Exodus 19:1 - 24:18 Key verses 19:5,6

* A kingdom of priests (19:1 - 20:26)

- 1. Of what did God remind Moses in the Desert of Sinai? (19:1-4) What promise did God give his former slave people? (5,6) What does each term in the promise for God's people mean: to be his treasured possession (Isa 43:1-3), a kingdom of priests and a holy nation? (1 Pet 2:9) How did the people respond to God's promise, leading and appearance? (7-25)
- 2. Why did God give his people the Ten Commandments? (19:4-6; 20:1,2) Which commandments did God give about worship? (3-11; 22-26) What is the serious consequence of idol worship? What can we learn about God from these commandments? Which commandments did God give regarding the relationship to other people? (12-17) What does Jesus teach us about the fundamental idea of the Ten Commandments? (Mt 22:37-40; Deut 6:5; Mt 6:33; Ex 20:18-21)

* The Book of the Covenant (21:1 - 24:18)

- 3. Make a table to summarize the laws in chapters 21 to 23, including the specific admonitions and prohibitions, punishments, and restitutions. Which basic principles do we find in the laws of God? (Mt 5:39) How do the laws build up and protect the church of God? (Eph 4:28; 1 Pet 4:15; Deut 22:23-29) How is brotherly love the fulfillment of God's love and righteousness? (Ps 10:12-14; Mt 10:42)
- 4. Why did God order his people to keep the Sabbath Year, celebrate the three Festivals and to guard against every compromise? (23:14-33) How did God's people respond to the Book of the Covenant? What is the meaning of the covenant confirmed with God for the Israelites? (24:1-11; Heb 10:19-23)? Why was it necessary to seal the Covenant with blood? (Lev 17:11; Lk 22:20; Heb 9:13-22) Why did Moses set out with Joshua and went up on Mount Sinai? (24:12-18)