

GSM

ACCEPTANCE OF THE LAW PT. 2

I. First Acceptance of the Law

- A. [**Exodus 19:4-8**]- Eagles wings vs. obey all my commandments
- B. The people would have to obey God fully to be blessed
- C. The people had to wash themselves and sanctify themselves. Under Law God gives absolutely no assistance in this. Law is where man is totally responsible to try to meet God's standards. Grace is where He meets His own standards in our behalf and bestows righteousness on us as a gift and we receive by faith. You cannot mix law and grace. This is what legalists try to do today. They preach that God will move in your life if you keep His laws and commandments, but when they miss it they want grace and forgiveness. They use the blood of the cross to make up for where they feel they have fallen short. They want their works to count toward God moving for them and God's grace to cover the rest they fail. Those who want to live under law and preach it to others do not understand the law. [Galatians 4:21]
- D. [**Ex. 23:22**]-Under Law man had to do it all. They had to obey all God's commandments, not some and then grace would cover where they missed it. Either you accept grace or you accept law.
- E. [**Exodus 20**]- God gave the 10 Commandments- Those who want to live under Law do not understand the penalty of the Law. The penalty of breaking the Law is death. This is why God gave the altar and sacrifices to show the penalty of broken law was death. If you fail under the Law you deserve death!
- F. [**Ex. 20:22-24**] People were blessed because the lamb was worthy not them. [**Rev. 5:12**]
- F. [**Exodus 21-23**]- God is giving ordinances to Moses.
- G. [**Exodus 24:1**]- God tells Moses to go get those that would be priests and the 70 elders of Israel. They worshipped at a distance. Those under the Law always worship at a distance.

II. 2nd Acceptance of the Law

- A. [**Exodus 24:3**]- Moses brings **ALL** the words of God back to the people and they all in one accord say they would do **ALL** that the Lord said.

B. [**Vs. 4**]- Right after the people agreed to the Law, Moses built an altar because they would fail to keep the Law and incur death.

III. **3rd Acceptance of Law**

A. [**Exodus 24:7**]- They said they would do all and be obedient

B. Moses then goes up on Mt. Sinai for 40 days to get further instructions.

C. [**Vs. 17**]- Consuming fire speaks of God's holiness, wrath, and judgment

D. [**Exodus chpts. 25-31**]- God gives Moses instructions on the tabernacle and priests

IV. **Man's failure**

A. [**Exodus 32:1-6**]- The people wonder where Moses was and decided he left or died so they told Aaron to make them idol gods to lead them.

B. Aaron tells them to give him gold items. It says he melted them and then fashioned a golden calf with an engraving tool.

C. By this time Aaron and the people had heard twice that they were not to do this.

D. They built an altar before it and had a feast.

E. [**Exodus 32:7**]- God tells Moses to go down. He says the people **you** brought out have sinned!

F. [**Vs. 8**]- They have quickly turned aside from the Law. They broke the very first commandment right away!

G. The people made the golden calf and said that it was the god who brought them out of the land of Egypt!

H. [**Vs. 9**]- God knew all along the people would not and could not keep the Law. They were stiff-necked.

I. [**Deut. 5:23-29**]- They did not have the heart in them to keep the Law. This was one of the main reasons God gave the Law- to show man he was fallen and was fundamentally wrong and not as they ought to be. They had to have it proven to them that they were hopeless and needed salvation and a new heart.

J. [**Exodus 32:10**]- God told Moses to move away and His wrath would consume them. Moses made intercession for the people. Here Moses is acting as a type of Jesus Christ who made intercession for us. God was testing Moses. He had promised the Messiah would come through Judah's line. He would not destroy

them all. God wanted Moses to look back to the promise given to Abraham and to His grace.

K. Moses comes down the mountain and Joshua thinks it is war, but Moses said it is a party!

L. [vs. 19]- Moses broke all ten commandments at once.

M. Moses destroys the calf and made the people drink the powder.

N. [vs. 21]- Moses takes Aaron to task!- **This is one of funniest points in the bible.** He said the people were set on evil and that he took gold and cast it in the fire and out came the calf!

O. [Exodus 28:1]- **Let's backtrack here and look at Aaron's call to the priesthood.** Here is a glimpse of grace in the midst of the Law. God was talking to Moses and picked Aaron to be His priest even though he knew that Aaron was about to make the golden calf that made Israel sin! This was the election of grace and not by works. We are priests by grace and not works.

P. [Exodus 32:27]- Moses commands that those who are with him fight against those who are not. Moses comes down the mountain with the complete Law and God's judgment finally falls on Israel and 3000 men die that day. The feast of Pentecost was established to remember this event.

R. [Acts 2:41]- On the day of Pentecost the Spirit of Grace was given and 3000 men were saved!

S. [Exo 32:34] Now, go! Lead the people to the place I told you about. My Messenger will go ahead of you. But when I punish, I will punish them for their sin."

[Exo 32:35] So the LORD killed people because they had Aaron make the calf.

T. God will start punishing for sin now the Law was accepted.

U. [Romans 5:13]- Sin is not imputed with the Law. Now the law had come and was accepted then sin was imputed and people started to die and to be punished.

V. [Exodus 33]- Moses begs God to go with Him into the promised land asks to see his glory.

W. [Exodus 34:1-7]- God reveals Himself to Moses by the first parade- God's face in scripture speaks of God's grace and goodness. His back speaks of judgment.

X. [Mark 15:34]- God turned His back on His Son so we would not ever experience God's back. We stand on burnt ground!

Y. [**1 Peter 3:12**]- God's eyes are always toward the righteous.