

January 17

Exodus 24

Opening Up

What is the funniest wedding story that you have?

What are some of the greatest “mountain top” Experiences you have had in your faith Journey with Christ?

Remember

What were some things that stood out to you from the sermon on Sunday?

Deepen

In Exodus 24 Moses mediates the covenant to the people. And in verses 3 and 7 the people agree to obey. What do you think led the people respond to the decrees of the covenant with a unified “Yes”?

The people were standing at the base of the mountain, witnessing the cloud, the power and authority of God’s commands. The nearness of God’s presence revealed His holiness. They were responding to grace. Here is a quote from Ligon Duncan in a sermon from Exodus 24 called “[The Blood of the Covenant](#)”

“The children of Israel, when they say, “All that the Lord has said, we will do,” they do it with gratitude in their hearts because they’re here only due to the grace of God. God hasn’t said, “If you’ll do all these things, I’ll bring you out of Egypt.” Where are they standing? They’re standing in the wilderness of the Sinai. How did they get there? Through the Red Sea, through the plagues, through the redemptive grace of God. They’re not there except by the grace of God, so their obedience is in response to the grace of God. It’s not so that God will show them grace, but because God has shown them grace. We learn that right here, in verse 4 through 8.”

In Verse 8 Moses threw the blood on the people and said “Behold the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.” Brian pointed out on Sunday that God was aware of Israel’s future unfaithfulness when He extended this covenant to them. How is that parallel to His relationship with us as a people?

- [Romans 5:6-11](#)
- [Matthew 26:28](#) - Here Christ uses the same phrase “Blood of the covenant” connecting himself in the same way to the new Covenant.

What does this display about the Character of God?

- It reveals his perfect patience before they have sinned
- [God is faithful to His covenant](#)

How did the people of Israel do with their promise to obey?

Transform

*Brian commented that temptation always follows the mountain top experience.
How have you experienced temptation after a mountain top?*

One of my favorite Hymns says:

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.*

In the midst of temptation and daily life how can we as individuals continue to turn our Eyes on our glorious Savior?

How can we as a community group encourage one another to turn our eyes upon Jesus?

How do we as part of Exodus Church together turn our eyes upon Jesus?

Mission-

How does fixing our Eyes on Jesus send us on mission for Him?

[Ephesians 3:10](#) - We make Him Known -

How does turning our Eyes upon Jesus empower our being on mission with Jesus?