**Exodus – The 10 Commandments**

**“This scene at Sinai is a lesson in sacred space.” Michael Heiser**

***Exodus 19 & 20***

**A Kingdom of Priests**

***1 Peter 2:9-10, Revelation 1:6***

**“The term Kingdom of priests is a statement of the manner in which God will use Israel with regards to the rest of the nations.” Peter Enns**

1. **You shall have no gods before me.**

**Exodus 20:1-3**

1. **You shall not make images to worship.**

**Exodus 20:4-6**

1. **You shall not take Yahweh’s name in vain.**

**Exodus 20:7**

1. **Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.**

**Exodus 20:8-11**

1. **Honour your father and mother.**

**Exodus 20:12, Eph 6:1**

1. **You shall not murder.**

**Exodus 20:13**

1. **You shall not commit adultery.**

**Exodus 20:14**

1. **You shall not steal.**

**Exodus 20:15**

1. **You shall not give false testimony against your neighbour.**

**Exodus 20:16**

1. **You shall not covet.**

**Exodus 20:17**

“**The Hebrew word for covet refers to an inordinate, ungoverned, selfish desire for something.” John Currid**

**Take Aways:**

1. **Writing the Law on our hearts.**

***Romans 7:7, James 2, Psalm 19:7-10***

1. **Approaching God with confidence.**

***Exodus 19:17, Hebrews 4:14-16, 12:18-24***

**Challenge: Read Psalm 19:7-10 each day. Take some time after reading to reflect on this question - when you think of obedience to God’s ways would you describe it this way? Why or why not? As God to reveal if legalism has crept into your life in any way and to help you find joy and fulfillment in following Him.**

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1. Share about your last couple weeks as you catch up with one another. How has God been challenging you or encouraging you in your faith since we last met? What new learnings have you had?
2. Was there anything that grabbed your attention in this weeks’ message? Anything that you want to talk further about?
3. Read Exodus 20:1-21 together.
4. What stands out to you in these passages?
5. What commandment stands out to you most as you read through them? Which commandment is most challenging?
6. What are some things that we tend to bow down and worship in our culture? To put another way what are some things that can creep into first place in our lives ahead of God?
7. The law against coveting points to the big idea behind these laws – they begin with the heart: do you agree or disagree? Why?
8. Why do you think the Israelites were so terrified of God?
9. Read Matthew 22:34-40 together.
10. What do you find challenging or encouraging about this passage? What stands out to you?
11. Jesus says all the law hangs on these greatest commands. How does that apply to the 10 Commandments? How do they fall into these categories?
12. Do you find it easier to obey God’s ways when couched in the idea that the real plan is love God and love people? Why or why not?
13. Which of the takeaways most resonated with you this week? What is something you can do to apply it to your life?
14. Spend some time praying for one another as you end your time together this week.