

**A HOLY NATION**  
**(Preparing for the Covenant With God)**

Exodus 19:1-25 (20:18-26)

Key Verse 19:5,6

1. Where and when did Israel gather to make a covenant with God? (1-9) What act of God's grace was the basis of the covenant? What was God's purpose in saving Israel and making a covenant with her?
2. What was the basic requirement for being God's own people a kingdom of priests, a holy nation? What do these things teach about God? What was the people's initial response to the word of God?
3. Why did God descend to the top of the mountain in a dense cloud, and then to speak with Moses in the hearing of the people? (9)
4. How were Moses and the people to prepare for the Lord's coming down? (10-15) How long did they have to prepare?
5. What were the phenomena which appeared on Mt. Siniai when the Lord descended to the top of the mountain? (16-19)
6. Why did the Lord call Moses to come up the mountain, then immediately send him back down again? (23-24)
7. What was the people's attitude before God? Why is fear of the Lord a necessary attitude for receiving God's word? (cf. Pr 9:10)