



# Redemption

## How Jesus Frees Us

Sunday, September 15, 2019 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

## Part 19: God Shows Up

Exodus 19:1-25

When God shows up he *always*  
**INVITES** us into relationship, (v. 1-8)

Seeing God's hand when looking back... v. 4

(v. 2 with Exodus 3:12)

A new Identity v. 5-8

1 Peter 2:9-12; Rev. 1:6; 5:10; 20:6

**The Lie of Religion:** *your activity will achieve an identity*

**The Truth of the Gospel:** *you receive an identity and your activity flows from it*

This is **COVENANT** language:

*"I'll be your God, and you will be my people..."*

calls us to **OBEY** him, (v. 9-15)

consecrate = *make holy, sanctify* v. 10, 14

1 Peter 1:14-16

**holy** = separate, totally other

preparation to meet God

a “change of clothes” Revelation 19:7-8; Col. 3:9-10

and **SHOWS US** who he is. (v. 16-25)

seeing God motivates holiness!

Exodus 20:20

*How are you seeking him?*

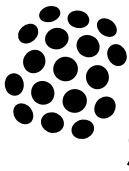
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## A Few Tips on Group Prayer for your Life Group:

Prayer is an important part of being in a Life Group!

Generally group prayer will go better in your group when you follow three simple guidelines:

- 1. PRAY FOR ONE TOPIC AT A TIME** - Anyone in the group is free to introduce a prayer request either before prayer begins or during the prayer time. Once a topic is introduced, the group focuses on that request alone. Once it's covered, the group moves on to the next topic.
- 2. PRAY MORE THAN ONCE** - Because the group is focusing on one topic at a time, each person is encouraged to pray several times during the prayer time for those topics they feel most led to pray about. *No one is required to pray.*
- 3. KEEP PRAYERS SHORT AND SIMPLE** - Group prayer goes better when members keep their prayers short and to the point. When someone prays for a long time, it's hard for the other members to stay focused and long prayers tend to intimidate those who are just learning to pray out loud in a group. *No one is required to pray out loud.*



# life **HOMework** groups

**What is this?** – Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them Life Groups. The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a parallel passage of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a Life Group, let us know on the Connect Card in your bulletin.

## Getting Started

1. **Getting to Know You:** *If you could have any job for a day, what would it be?*
2. **Read Exodus 19:1-25.** Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.
3. When it comes to the fear of God, how has your understanding of it changed over the years?
4. What do most people think of who God is? What are some ways they would describe him? How does that compare with how he shows up in Exodus 19?

## Digging Deeper

5. In the next chapter, in **Exodus 20:20**, Moses told the Israelites that *"the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning."* Regrettably, we still see people in the Bible who didn't fear the Lord and it cost them dearly. **Go read Acts 5:1-11.** How does God use the married couple's lack of fear in Acts 5:1-11 to teach the other people in the church an important lesson?
  - a. How could the people's response to this event help them relate to God in a healthy way?
  - b. Can you think of any examples in your own life of how your fear of God has helped you?
  - c. Do you have any thoughts on how a person could determine if they have an appropriate fear of God?
6. It can be a challenge to understand and balance a healthy, appropriate fear of God with the confidence that he loves and accepts us. Looking at how another person handles this can be helpful. As you read David's prayer in **Psalms 86**, make two lists: jot down **how he describes God** and **what he requests of God**.
  - a. How might David's perspective and response to God in this Psalm help you balance a healthy fear of God and the confidence to come before Him?
  - b. What would it look like for someone to put too much emphasis on the fear of God over his love and acceptance? How about putting too much emphasis on his love and acceptance?
7. God gave a new purpose and identity to the Israelites in Exodus 19. As followers of Christ and citizens of God's kingdom, we also have been given a new identity. What do you learn about that new identity from the following passages?
  - a. Can you think of any ways remembering our new identity could impact how we act towards others and God?
  - b. How has your understanding of your identity in Christ changed as you've grown in your faith?
8. Close in prayer. (*See some tips on page 3!*)

*During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items.  
Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your Life Group.*

## Neighboring Church

Pray this week for the ministry and people of Milford Christian Church and continued partnership with them.

## Personal Prayer Items

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## Word Find for Exodus 19:16-20 (ESV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

16 On the **morning** of the **third** day **there** were **thunders** and **lightnings** and a **thick cloud** on the **mountain** and a **very loud trumpet blast**, so that all the **people** in the **camp trembled**. 17 **Then Moses brought** the **people** out of the **camp** to **meet** God, and they **took** their **stand** at the **foot** of the **mountain**. 18 Now **Mount Sinai** was wrapped in **smoke** **because** the **LORD** had **descended** on it in **fire**. The **smoke** of it went up like the **smoke** of a kiln, and the whole **mountain trembled** greatly. 19 And as the sound of the **trumpet** grew **louder** and **louder**, **Moses** spoke, and God answered him in **thunder**. 20 The **LORD** came down on **Mount Sinai**, to the top of the **mountain**. And the **LORD** called **Moses** to the top of the **mountain**, and **Moses** went up.

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