In the Beginning...Jesus

Lesson 18
God's Law Is Given to Israel

Themes
- God enters into a covenantal relationship with His people.
- God's law is holy, righteous, and good.
- The law described how Israel was to live as a redeemed people of God.

Scripture:
Portions of Exodus 19-20; Romans 7:12

Memory Verse:
Isaiah 53:12b (and review verses 3-12a)

Today's Clue:
There was no new picture clue revealed, but next time look for a *seal*.

Home and Heart:
Review the giving of the Ten Commandments from Exodus 20:1-21. Before God gave the first commandment in verse 3, what did He say to Israel? What was He reminding His people of? Why is this important? Is anyone but the one, true, eternal God worthy of worship? Why not? How is the first command lived out? (Give examples of thoughts, feelings, words, and actions it demands.)

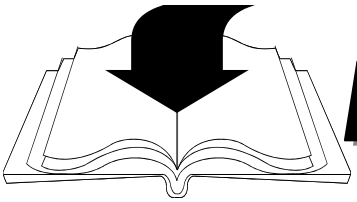
Read and discuss Romans 7:12. Emphasize that the commandments are holy, righteous, and good because they are given by a God Who is holy, righteous, and good. The commandments help us understand something of God's unique character. They also help us understand how God's people are expected to live as His saved people. Review each command and discuss how it shows God's holiness, righteousness, and goodness.

Ask your child to list a few rules you have given him to obey. Why did you give him those rules? What do these rules show about you as a parent? How are they good for your child? How can these examples help us understand God's commands that He gave to His people Israel?

Recall that in this covenant, God is establishing an agreement between Himself and Israel. God is promising to do three things for His people. (See Exodus 19:5-6.) Can God be trusted to keep His part of the agreement? Why? What must Israel do? Does God want them to *completely* obey His commands, or is most of the time good enough? Why is perfect obedience important to God? (Ask your child to tell you about the example of going to the jewelry store from the lesson.) Read Habakkuk 1:13 and James 2:10. How many times did Adam and Eve disobey God's command before God judged them with the punishment of death? Will the giving of the Ten Commandments solve this problem?



DISCOVER MORE



EXODUS

This week read through Exodus 19:1-24 and Exodus 20:1-21. The unscrambled words below can be found in the verses you read. Write these words on the lines below. Then write a brief sentence explaining what each word means (you may need your parents' help).

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