

SLAVES SET FREE
A Study in the Book of Exodus
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God Seals His Covenant with Israel Exodus 23:20–24:18

*"Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today.
The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The LORD will fight for you;
you need only to be still."* Exodus 14:13–14

Day 1: Read Exodus 23:20–33.

1. What is God's plan for Israel? (23:20)

2. How are God's words in verse 20 similar to Jesus' in John 14:2–3?

3. What is Israel's job in the fulfillment of God's plan?

4. What does this passage teach us about God?
 - a. Verse 20?

 - b. Verses 24, 32–33?

 - c. Verses 29–30?

 - d. Other?

Day 2: Read Exodus 24:1–8.

5. What is the difference between how God's people worship him in 24:1–2, and how God's people worship him after Christ's death and resurrection? (Heb. 10:19–22)

6. What is God's part in the covenant? (Ex. 19:5–6.)

What is Israel's part in the covenant?

7. What are the steps in the sealing of the covenant? (24:3)

Day 3: Read Exodus 24:4–8.

8. Why does God require a sacrifice? (Heb. 9:22)

9. In what two places is the blood sprinkled? (24:6)

10. What does the altar represent? (Deut. 27:6–7)

Whose blood is symbolically sprinkled on the altar? (Lev. 1:1–5)

11. Moses' sprinkling of animal blood on the people in verse 8 finds an echo in the "sprinkling" of our hearts today in Hebrews 10:19–22. Whose blood is sprinkled here?

Day 4: Read Exodus 19:12–13, 21–24; 24:9–18.

12. Review and summarize what happens in Exodus 19:12–13, 21–24.

13. Summarize what happens in Exodus 24:9–11.

14. What happened that would explain this contrast?

15. What New Testament meal does this remind you of?

What light do the events of Exodus 24 shed on Jesus' words in Matthew 26:26–28?

Day 5: Read Exodus 24.

16. Who was the mediator of the covenant God made with Israel? (24:8)

Who is the mediator of the covenant God has made with us? (Heb. 8:6–9)

17. With whose blood was God's covenant with Israel sealed? (24:5; Heb. 9:19–20)

With whose blood is God's covenant with us sealed? (Matt. 26:28; Heb. 10:10)

18. In Exodus 24:8, Israel *symbolically* receives God's Spirit when Moses sprinkles them with the blood of the sacrifice. How is this different from what we receive under the covenant that Christ sealed with his own blood? (Meditate on Jn. 1:12, 3:36, 14:26; 1 Cor. 6:19; Gal. 2:20; 2 Pet. 1:4)