

SACRED PRESENCE

LESSONS
FROM
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MESSAGE SUMMARY

THE LAW DOESN'T BEGIN WITH THE COMMANDMENTS—IT BEGINS WITH THE GOOD NEWS OF GRACE.

ENGAGING THE WORD

WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT STOOD OUT TO YOU IN THE SERMON? THINGS YOU SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO? THINGS YOU DIDN'T UNDERSTAND? ANY NEW INSIGHT YOU ARE TAKING AWAY?

READ EXODUS 19:4 & 20:2

1. WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN EGYPT?
2. HOW AND WHY DID GOD INTERVENE?
3. ACCORDING TO THESE VERSES, BEFORE GOD GIVES THESE PARTS OF THE LAW, WHAT IS HE REMINDING THE ISRAELITES ABOUT?

ENGAGING THE HEART

1. AFTER HEARING THE SERMON, WHAT ARE SOME WAYS GRACE IS DEMONSTRATED IN THE LAW?
2. IS THIS THE WAY YOU TYPICALLY THINK ABOUT THE LAW? IF NOT, HOW IS IT DIFFERENT?
3. WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO SEE GRACE IN THE LAW?

ENGAGING OUR WORLD

DISCUSS WITH YOUR GROUP: IT IS EASY FOR US TO READ THESE PARTS OF THE BIBLE AND VIEW THE LAW AS A LIST OF OPPRESSIVE RULES. INSTEAD OF BEING A LIST OF RULES IT IS ACTUALLY A DEMONSTRATION OF GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE. DISCUSS SOME PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF TAKING THIS PERSPECTIVE OF THE LAW IN OUR LIVES TODAY.

AS YOU CLOSE, PRAY FOR EACH OTHER IN YOUR GROUP. PRAY THAT THEY WILL UNDERSTAND MORE AND MORE THE LOVING GRACE OF GOD THAT IS DEMONSTRATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE LAW.

