



Revelations From Rebellion

Exodus 32:1 – 34:35

#19 in a series on Exodus

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A Stark Contrast.

1. The people quickly deserting God. (32:1-10; cf. Galatians 1:6-9)

2. Moses steadfastly holding to God. (32:11-35; 33:7-23; 34:9, 29-32)

A Solid Constant.

1. God being faithful to His promises. (32:10, 27-28, 35; cf. Genesis 8:22; 12:1-3; Exodus 19:5; Leviticus 26:14-33; Deuteronomy 28:1-68; Malachi 3:6; 2 Timothy 2:13; James 1:17)

2. God being faithful to His people. (32:27-28, 33-34; 33:1-23; 34:10)

In My Life This Week

(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

Monday. Rebellion is never pleasant and always easier seen in others than in ourselves. Read Exodus 32:1-10. What was the issue in this rebellion? Why do you think they rebelled? What do you make of Aaron's actions?

Rebellion comes in limitless varieties, all sharing a departure from, a rejection of truth. Read Galatians 1:6-9 to review the apostle Paul's stern stand for truth and against falsehood. Examine your heart for any rebellion against God and His truth.

Tuesday. Moses was a stark contrast to the people he led as he held steadfast to God. This began with his own integrity but extended out from there. Walk through 32:11-35, 33:7-23 and 34:9, 23 noting specific attitudes and actions that came from his faith and displayed his faithfulness. In what ways—thoughts, comments, actions—are you demonstrating your faith and faithfulness today?

Wednesday. God is constant, He does not change (see Malachi 3:6). Compare God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 12:1-3 with his promise to Moses in the midst of Israel's rebellion in Exodus 32:10. What God promises He performs. Some of God's promises are conditional (see Exodus 19:5). Blessing and judgment both are demonstrations of His faithfulness to His character and promises. What would this world, your life and the future be like if God were not faithful? Thank God for His faithfulness to His promises.

Thursday. God is faithful to His people. God promises to Abraham in Genesis 32:10 were being reaffirmed and fulfilled to Moses and Israel in Exodus 19:5 and 32:10. In His faithfulness to us God blesses us in our faithfulness and disciplines our rebellion. List some of the specific ways or things in which God has been faithful to you this week.

Friday/Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at 35:1–40:38 and conclude this look at the book of Exodus. Survey this section in preparation for our time together.

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