

11 – THE GOLDEN CALF (EXODUS 32:1-34:35)

I. Israel's Sin (32:1-33:6)

A. Israel's Idolatry (32:1-6)

- Because of Moses' absence on the mountain, they demanded that Aaron _____.
- Aaron fashioned a molded calf with _____.
- The Israelites proclaimed that the calf was the god who _____.
- They offer incense and sacrifices to the calf as they _____.

B. Moses Intercedes (32:7-14)

- The Lord tells Moses that the people have sinned and that _____.
- Moses intercedes for the people by reminding the Lord of his promise to _____.

C. Moses Reacts (32:15-29)

- As Moses returned from the mountain, he and Joshua hear _____.
- When Moses saw the golden calf, he broke the tablets that _____.
- Moses took the calf, burned it, ground it into powder and _____.
- Moses confronted Aaron, who said the calf just _____.
- Moses called those who had not engaged in the worship of the calf and _____.
- Moses directed the Levites to kill those who continued in their idolatry and _____.

D. Moses Intercedes Again (32:30-35)

- Moses went to the mountain and interceded that _____.
- The Lord directed the people to go to the appointed place and that _____.
- The Lord brought a plague upon the people because of _____.

E. Israel humiliated (33:1-6)

- The Lord told Israel to go to Canaan but that he would _____.
- The people responded to the news by not putting on their ornaments to _____.

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II. The Covenant Renewed (33:7-34:35)

A. Moses' Relationship with the Lord (33:7-23)

- Moses pitched a tent outside of the camp where he _____.
- Those who sought the Lord would go to _____.
- Moses spoke _____.
- Moses pleaded that God would allow his presence to go with them or _____.
- The Lord responded to Moses and allowed him to _____.

B. The Covenant with the Lord Renewed (34:1-35)

- The Lord called Moses to fashion two stone tablets like _____.
- The Lord revealed himself to Moses by proclaiming _____.
- The Lord renewed _____.
- Because of the encounter with the Lord, Moses' face shone with _____.
- The people could not speak with Moses unless _____.

Questions

1. Why would Moses' absence create the opportunity for Israel to sin? What are the lessons for you?
2. What strikes you about the relationship that Moses had with God?
3. How important was the presence of God to Moses? How important should God's presence be to you and our church?