#### January 12, 2025

# Exodus

1-4 Moses—Burning Bush, "Take off your sh 5-11 Moses—Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" 12-13 Moses—First Passover, "When I see the 1 Luke—Angel Gabriel to Mary—the *M* of 14-15 Moses—Parting of Red Sea 16-19 Moses—Manna from Heaven 20 Moses—Ten Commandments 21-24 Moses—Covenant Laws 5-39 Moses—Golden Calf. Mos

#### Exodus 32:11

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#### 25-39 Moses—Golden Calf, Moses' Prayer 2nd set of Two Tablets

40 Moses—Set up the LEVITICUS

1-3 Burnt, Grain, Fellowship
9-10 Lord's Fire Consumes 0
16 & 29 Annual Day of Atoneme
26 If You Follow My Statute

Adoration of the Golden Calf, c. 1634 oil on canvas by Nicolas Poussin (1594-1665)

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**Summary of Mosaic Covenant 20 Ten Commandments** 21-23 Covenant Laws **24 Covenant Confirmation –** Moses 40 Days & Nights **25-31 Moses & Tabernacle Details** 32 Golden Calf, Moses Smashes **Two Tablets** – Kills Rebels **33 God Threatens – then Moses Prays for Mercy** Moses Sees God's Glory as God Passes Cliff 34 2nd Two Tablets & Covenant Renewal Moses 40 Days & Nights – Moses' Radiance 35-39 Tabernacle Parts Built & Prepared **40 Tabernacle Completed & Dedicated** 



Adoration of the Golden Calf, c. 1634 oil on canvas by Nicolas Poussin (1594-1665)

ALEAPAEA UPADUSTEA INAAXAYP EWPYLYDD This SAD story ... reflects rejection Worst rejection imaginable Yet this sad story also reflects Longing, Loving Loyalty of God

Kind of reminds me of an old ... Elvis Presley song "Kentucky Rain" – a 1970 hit

Written by Eddie Rabbitt & Dick Heard
Ronnie Milsap on piano
As sad & good as the song was Never made #1 in America



Seven lonely days And a dozen towns ago

#### I reached out one night And you were gone

Don't know why you'd run, What you're running to or from All I know is I want to bring you home

So I'm walking in the rain, Thumbing for a ride On this lonely Kentucky backroad

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I forgot about these verses & corrected previous lesson Basic reading of Exodus 20-23, then Exodus 24 confirms the Covenant Law **APPEARS** that by **Ex 32** that **Two Tablets** contained 20-23 or 20-31 ... appears Yet, Moses clarifies "TEN" in certain terms WHOLE of Exodus 20:1-17 or Deut 5:1-17 is the Ten Commandments Exodus 34:28 Moses ... with Lord 40 Days & 40 Nights without eating bread or drinking water. And He—God—wrote on the tablets the words of the **COVENANT**—the **Ten Commandments**. Hebrew terms translated in "Ten Commandments" occur 3x Ex 34:28 ~ Deut 4:13 ~ Deut 10:4 Exact term "Commandments" in 3x above is also 135x as "WORDS" etc.

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In the Covenant Confirmation Ex 24:12 "Law & Commandments" ...

**LAW** – 2x Ex 24:12 & 2 Kings 17:37 217x root "Torah" uses, 34 variants, 45x in one variant as in "Law" on forehead & "Book of Law" ROOT "Torah" means "to throw, to direct" **Commandments** – 3x Ex 24:12, 2 Kings 17:37, 2 Chron 14:4 i.e., 3x in this variant with "Law" ... 181x uses, 33 root variants 33 root variants almost ALL also translated *Commandments* ROOT "Mitswah" International Bible Encyclopedia said Mitswah "Charge laid upon men as the expression of God's will, and therefore that it must be obeyed."

In the Covenant Confirmation Ex 24:12 "Law & Commandments" ...

# **Commandments** TODAY? English?

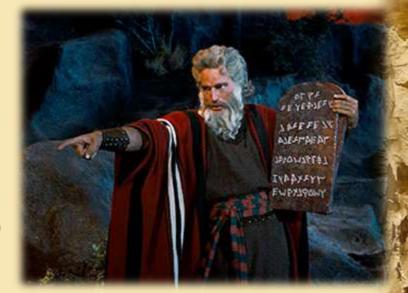
✓ NORAD Central COMMAND



- Commander of an Army Base, Colonel or General
- General gives COMMANDS to his Colonels & Majors
- Majors give COMMANDS to their troops
- All are under the COMMANDER in Chief
- COMMAND is an "order" on steroids Do it NOW!
- COMMAND is an "order" if disobeyed has BIG consequences

In the Covenant Confirmation Ex 24:12 "Law & Commandments" ... root for Commandments appears 178x

DIFFERENT term for "Commandments" is used in Exodus 34:28



Exodus 34:28 Moses ... with Lord 40 Days & 40 Nights without eating bread or drinking water. And He—God—wrote on the tablets the words of the COVENANT—the Ten Commandments.
Exodus 34:28 exact word "Commandments" is used 138x ...
i.e., of the 138x the exact word used, it's translated 135x as "WORD/s" only 3x as "Commandments" in Ex 34:28, Deut 4:13, Deut 10:4

Moreover, ROOT's used 1,441x in 80+ variants mostly trans "WORD/s"

### Ex 34:28 COVENANT—the **Ten Commandments – 3x** 3x "Commandments" 1. Ex 34:28 2. Deut 4:13 3. Deut 10:4 Very Word Used above "Commandments" 138x then translated 135x as "WORDS" or similar ...

# LOOK SEE >

Then 1,441x in 80+ variants mostly as "WORD/S"

#### **Englishman's Concordance**

had-də-bā-rîm — 133 Occurrences

#### Genesis 15:1

HEB: אַתְר ו **הדברִים** הָאָׁלָה הָיָה NAS: these *things* the word KJV: After *these things* the word INT: After *things* these came

#### Genesis 20:8

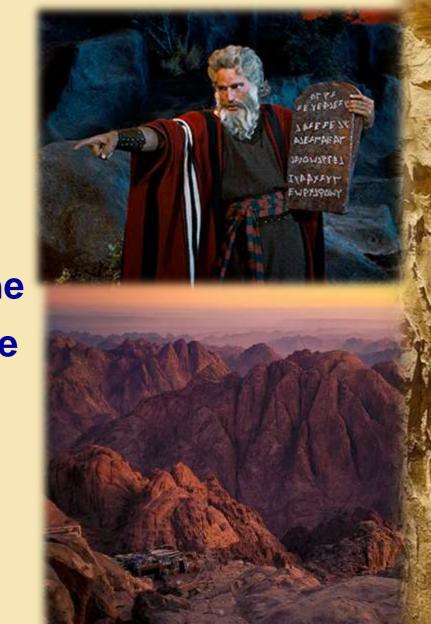
HEB: אָת־ כָּל־ הַדְּבָרָים הָאֵלֶה בְּאָזְנֵיהֵם NAS: these *things* in their hearing; KJV: and told *all these things* in their ears: INT: and told all *things* these their hearing

#### Genesis 22:1

HEB: וְיָהִי אַחַר **הַדְּבָרֵים** הָאֵׁלֶה וְהָאֲלֹהִים NAS: these *things*, that God KJV: And it came to pass after *these things*, that Go INT: came after *things* these God **Ten Commandments** That is, **Ex 34:28 COVENANT** the Ten Commandments – 3x "Commandments" appears 138x 3x in Ex 34:28, Deut 4:13, Deut 10:4 VERY, VERY 135x as "WORDS" or similar-Common word Root 1,441x in 80+ variants mostly "WORD/s" or as "things," as in "told all these things," "matters," "disputes," So, "Ten Commandments" in Ex 34:28, Deut 4:13, Deut 10:4 can be "Ten WORDS" if translated like 135 other times exactly or "Ten Matters" or "Ten Things Said" Don't worry ... not trying to complicate ... Just observe that English "Commandments" is odd when SAME WORD is translated 135 times as "**WORDS**" or "**MATTERS**" or something similar Ten Commandments are called the **Decalogue** - Greek of Deca & Logos **Deca – Decameter = 1/10 Meter Decimate** = Kill 1/10 or **Decathlon** = 10 Events Logos – Biology, Psychology, Theology "Bio" = "Life" & "logy" = "word on/study of" That famous, formidable passage John 1:1, "in beginning was the Logos / the Word" **LXX – Septuagint – Jewish translation of O.T. into Greek** Ptolemy II (285–247 BC) 72 translators—6 from each of Twelve Tribes How did the LXX translate **Exodus 34:28 use of Ten Commandments** LXX – Septuagint 72 Jewish scholars c. 240-200 B.C. trans O.T. Hebrew

δέκα λόγους = Ten Words

**ALSO** In Moses' final messages, **Deuteronomy 4:13** He declared to you his covenant, the **Ten Commandments**, which He commanded you to follow & then wrote them on Two Stone Tablets.



**Ten Commandments** Moses reminds them of time on Mt. Horeb in Deut. 5:2 then repeats Ten Commandments in 5:6-18 **Deut. 5:22 – Moses wrote:** These are the commandments the Lord proclaimed in a loud voice to your whole assembly there on the mountain from out of the fire, the cloud & the deep darkness; He added nothing more. He wrote them on **TWO STONE TABLETS** & gave them to me. CLEAR referral to—Ex 20:1-17 when God spoke to ALL Israelites after which for FEAR they did NOT want to hear from God again **Ten Commandments Deuteronomy 9:10** Lord gave me Two Stone Tablets inscribed by the finger of God. **On them were all the Commandments** the Lord proclaimed to you on the mountain out of the fire. Clear reference to Exodus 20 – which was 40 years earlier **Deuteronomy 10:4** Lord wrote on these tablets what he had written before, the Ten Commandments he had proclaimed to you on the mountain, out of the fire, on the day of the assembly. Another clear reference to **Exodus 20 – 40 years earlier** 

#### Few points stand out on **Ten Commandments**

- Hebrew word for "word" Ex 20 & Deut 5 was then as common as our word for "word" today
- Our word for "Command" has an elevation to it NOT seen by Israel in Moses' use of "Ten Words" in c. 1300 B.C. or 200 B.C.
- **Two Tablets** were written on both sides



**Public Display** 

Two Tablets were Exodus 20:1-17 or Deut 5:1-17
 1st w Sabbath on Creation & House First on Covet ...
 2nd w Sabbath on Exodus & Wife First on Covet

 We do NOT know precisely WHAT was on the Two Tablets then
 "Ten Commandments" posted today NOT be recognized THEN for Moses used the most common word for "Word" then
 Two Tablets were placed into Ark of Covenant

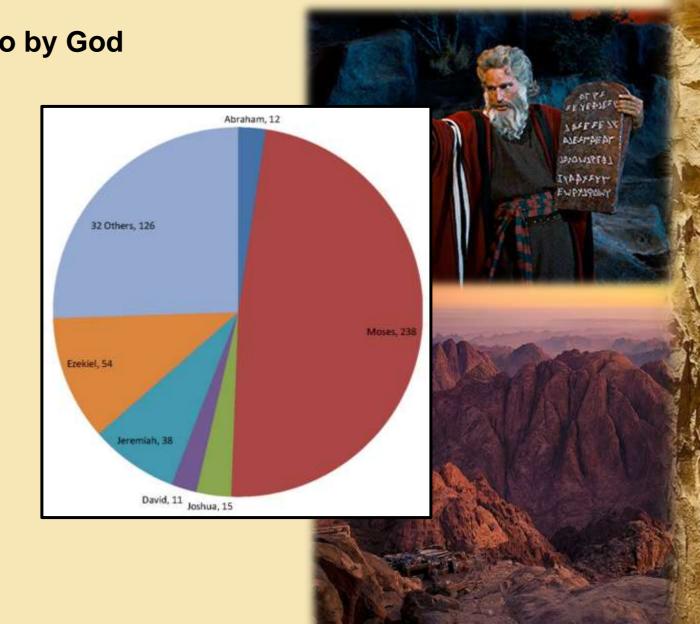
✓ Ark of the Covenant placed into Holy of Holies

Moses wrote the most ... **According Mark Morgan** Moses wrote 125,139 words in the Bible Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, **& Psalm 90** Bible 611,000 words **Moses little** more than 20%



www.BibleTales.online/gods-communication/

Moses was spoken most to by God According to **Mark Morgan** God spoke to 38 people Most only 1x Moses by far, 238x of 494x for 48.2% God, Moses and the **Israelites** 



I've loved yah much too long my love's too strong To let you go, never knowing What went wrong Kentucky rain keeps pouring down And up ahead's another town That I'll go walking thru With the rain in my shoes, Searchin' for you In the cold Kentucky rain, In the cold Kentucky rain

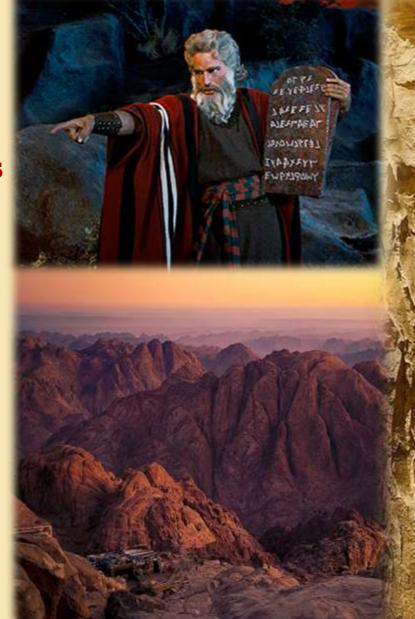


End of Ex. 19, God tells Moses to get Aaron bring him up on the mountain ... Then Ex 20 gives the Ten Commandments 20:1-17 **Ten Words / Decalogue** Ex 20 given by GOD to ALL on Fire Mountain THEN, Israelites do NOT want to HEAR GOD ✓ <sup>20:22</sup> I have spoken to you from HEAVEN God tells them to make an altar 21:1 "These are the laws you are to set before th Exodus 21–23 on servants, injuries, property, daughter selling, sex, fairness, Sabbath, Three Festivals -**Exodus 24 Moses tell Israelites ALL God said** ✓ Israelites say they will do ALL



Exodus 24 after Israelites say they'll do ALL Exodus 24:4 Moses wrote ALL down Moses builds altar Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, 70 SEE God Exodus 24:12 Lord to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain .... I will give you the **TABLETS** of stone with the Law & Commandments I have written for their instruction." Moses goes up the Mountain – 40 Days & 40 Nights Exodus 25–31 meticulous details on Tabernacle – VERY Detailed Exodus 32 Moses descends with **TWO TABLETS** written by God Israelites in CHAOS with Golden Calf – SMASHES TABLETS Moses grounds Golden Calf into powder, Mixed powder in water ... forces all to drink

**Exodus 32 ... TWO TABLETS** but NOT yet told what is on **TABLETS** just Law & Commandments Later, in Ex 34 – told Ten Commandments either Exodus 20:1-17 or Deut 5:1-17 Ex 32:33 God is going to Blot them OUT of the Book of Life v 36 Strikes Israelites with plague Exodus 33:1-6 God leads all Mt. Horeb WHERE? Some say Horeb is East Side of Mt Sinai



Israel STILL at the foot of Mt. Sinai

Ras Safsaf

Katarina

Jebel

Rephidim

Nuweiba

Dahab

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Khadra •

Musa

Jebel Umm

Shomar

Serat

el Serbal

**El-Tor** 

Wildern

Sidn of Sin

Jebel Musa Mt. Horeb Horeb often refers to whole mountain range

John Calvin believed Mt. Horeb was the EAST SIDE

Exodus 32:33 God is going to **Blot them OUT of the Book of Life** v 36 Strikes Israelites with plague Ex 33:1-6 God leads all to Mt. Horeb Ex 33:7-11 "Tent of Meeting" w Cloud over Tent 33:11 Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend.... Exodus 33:12-23 – Moses to MEET God 33:19-20 Lord said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you ... "you cannot see my face, for NO ONE may see me and live." Powerful ... in a fashion no other mortal has seen What was it like on the Mount of Transfiguration when **Christ, Moses, Elijah appeared?** 

Exodus 34:1-28 New TWO TABLETS 34:1 Chisel out ... come up 34:10 Lord said: "I am making a **COVENANT** with you. **34:12-26 The COVENANT ?!?** similar to Ex 20-23 ... much shorter 34:3:1-6 God leads all to Mt. Horeb 34:27 Lord said to Moses, "Write down these words, I have made a **COVENANT** with you and with Israel." 34:28 Moses ... 40 Days & Nights ... He—God—wrote on the tablets the words of the COVENANT the Ten Commandments or TEN WORDS. **Exodus 34:29-35** Moses down with **TWO TABLETS** of COVENANT Told all to Israel – Moses Veiled Face for Radiance **Exodus 35-39** Israel prepares materials for Tabernacle – **Exodus 40** Two Tablets go into Ark

# Exodus 32

Adoration of the Golden Calf, c. 1634, by Nicolas Poussin (1594-1665)

Moses, 1513-15, by Michelangelo Church of San Pietro in Vincoli, Rome

## **Exodus 32**

# verses 1-4 Aaron Makes Golden Calf – Mooo 5-6 Builds an Altar, Hosts a Festival 7-10 God Threatens to Destroy 11-14 Moses Prays, Holds God to Promise

**Key Verse – Exodus 32:11 But Moses sought the favor** of the LORD his God. "LORD," he said, "why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand?

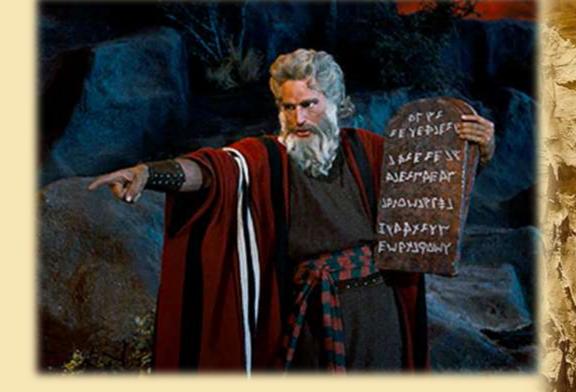
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# Alternate Title #2

# That's a Lot of

Utterly sad story of Israel **REVEALED** to us again & again Israel ... so stiff-necked Israel ... so unfaithful Israel ... so desolate of loyalty Yet God never gives up ... God gets ANGRY ... But a good prayer from Moses And God finds mercy AGAIN God—Longing for Faithful Love



With a people, Israel Seemingly incapable of LOVE God Remains Faithful

# In Exodus 7 ... We touched on the Egyptian Gods Apis was the god of Memphis a living **Bull** After ALL Israel went through After ALL they have been told Not just the Ten Commandments But MANY times: "No Other God" Then Moses leaves for a couple weeks and poof ...

**Mad Cow Disease** 

Statue of Apis in Louvre 13th dynasty, c. 1800-1639 B.C.

Mootastic

Exodus 32:5-6 Sin Committed – Aaron Makes Golden Calf – Mooo

According to Keil and Delitzsch, Israel made the Golden Calf after Egyptian Apis NOT meant to be the Egyptian god itself Apis looking Mad Cow ... supposed to represent

#### YHWH – Creator!

Israel chose one of the chief Egyptian gods to represent & worship YHWH In other words, they were NOT trying to recreate Apis or worship Apis They chose the Apis BULL to represent YHWH God



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**MOO-olatry** 

In Ex 7 we touched on the Egyptian Gods Apis, god of Memphis, a live BULL When "live" gods *died*, they were *mummified or ... MOOOmified* 

Apis mediated between humans and some of the higher gods
Arose in the 1st Dynasty c. 3000 B.C.
Some suggest Apis was among the 1st of the fertility gods, concerned with grain & herds
Apis was depicted black or white ...
Born from a ray of light ... ahhhh

Lite BULL? or BULL Lite?



Statue of Apis in Louvre 13th dynasty, c. 1800-1639 B.C. Priests got "direction" or "omens" from the BULL's behavior ... Yes sir ... yes ma'am ... The Bull shook his mighty head Priests said, "Bull said YES" or "Bull said NO" Now then ... my friends, that is a lot of

## BULL

6700–5650 B.C. temples & furniture in Anatolia (Turkey today) were adorned with BULL heads That is a whole lot *more* 

# BULL



Statue of Apis in Louvre 13th dynasty, c. 1800-1639 B.C. Several "bull" cults in Ancient Egypt Apis was the chief BULL god Here is a BULL from the tomb of boy King Tut ... now in Luxor Museum King Tut ruled in the 18th dynasty, c. 1332-1323 B.C. After Thutmose or before Raamses That is, THIS BULL was placed after or before the Exodus That means that ... King Tut took his BULL with him

Bull head from tomb of Tutankhamun in the Luxor Museum, Egypt

Secret Cult of Mithras arose in the Roman army not long after Christ Some secular scholars claim it competed with early Christianity in growth Mithraism SECRET cult w grades of initiation God Mithra is always depicted killing a bull New convert was "initiated" with a bull killed over him in a pit ... blood pouring on him Mithra, born out of a rock ... means "friend" 100s of these carvings, 1000+ inscriptions relate Mithraism's popularity in the Roman army Cult died out c. A.D. 400 ... much remains Secret today



Mithras killing the bull c. A.D. 200, in Louvre Psalm 106 poetically describes Israel's rebellion so well ... including Ex 32 Psalm 106:1-6 ... Praises God <sup>7</sup> When our ancestors were in Egypt, they

gave no thought to your miracles; they did not remember your many kindnesses, and they rebelled by the ... Red Sea.

Psalm 106:8-18, rebellion of Dathan Num. 16 Psalm 106:19-27, relates the Golden Calf Psalm 106:28-31 laments Israel eating to other gods & Phineas intervened Psalm 106:32-46, waters of Meribah Psalm 106:47-48 closes in prayer & praise Israel's wayward ways were well known in time of King David



Adoration of the Golden Calf, c. 1634 by Nicolas Poussin (1594-1665)

Showed your photograph To some old gray bearded man Sitting on a bench **Outside a gen'ral store** They said "Yes, she's been here" But their memory wasn't clear Was it yesterday, No, wait the day before

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## Exodus 32:16 ... as Moses goes down 32:16:

The tablets were the work of God; the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets.

Moses meets Joshua who hears NOISE thinking he missed a great victory party 32:18 Moses replied [to Joshua]:

"It is NOT the sound of victory, it is NOT the sound of defeat...."

Moses goes ...

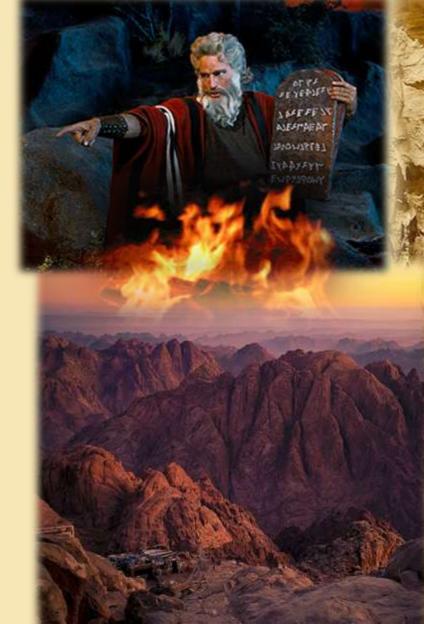


After mass infection of Mad Cow Disease— Moses goes BERSERK! Well ... on second thought NO ... Moses did not go BERSERK "Berserk" connotes out of control "Berserk" connotes hog wild anger Of all things, Moses TOOK control Moses KNEW God was on his side Of all things, Moses was **DECISIVE** Of all things, Moses Grabbed the Wild Horse's Reins **Took COMMAND** 

After mass infection of Mad Cow Disease— **Moses took** *COMMAND!* Exodus 32:19-35

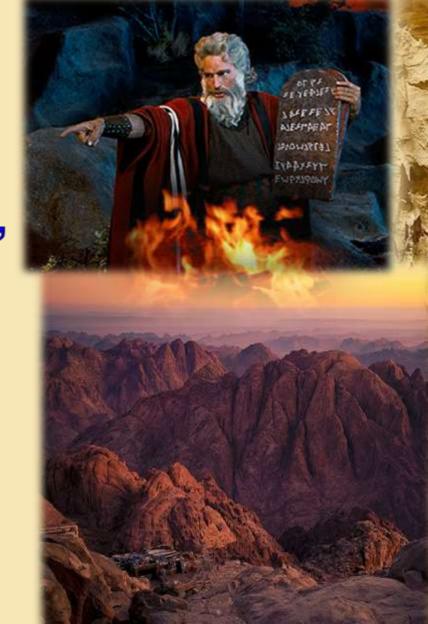
<sup>19</sup> When Moses approached the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, his anger burned and he threw the tablets ....breaking them to pieces at the foot of the mountain.

<sup>20</sup> And he took the calf the people had made and burned it in the fire; then he ground it to powder, scattered it on the water and MADE the Israelites DRINK IT.

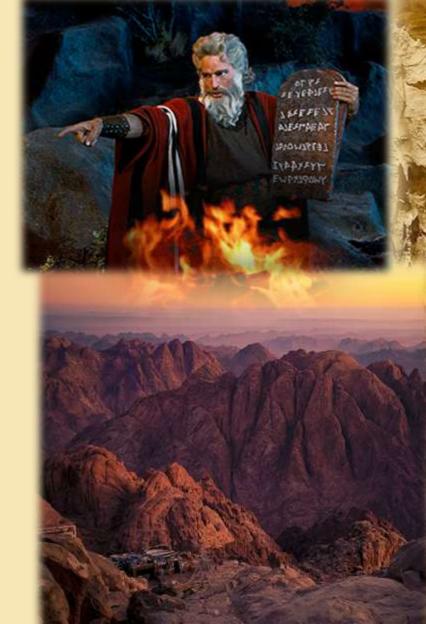


Poor Aaron ... Exodus 32:22-24 <sup>22</sup> "Do not be angry, my lord," Aaron answered. "You know how prone these people are to evil..... Aaron ... the pitiful ... bla, bla, bla Aaron confesses his utter cowardice Exodus 32:22-24 makes you want to cry Moses ain't havin' it ... ain't hearin' it <sup>25</sup> Moses saw that the people were running wild and that Aaron had let them get out of control and so become a laughingstock to their enemies. No excuse ... Moses just takes charge **Takes COMMAND** 

Moses is as strong here as EVER in all of the Book of the Exodus <sup>32:26</sup> So Moses stood at the entrance to the camp and said, "Whoever is for the LORD, come to me." And all the Levites rallied to him. Moses orders the men to Lock'n Load



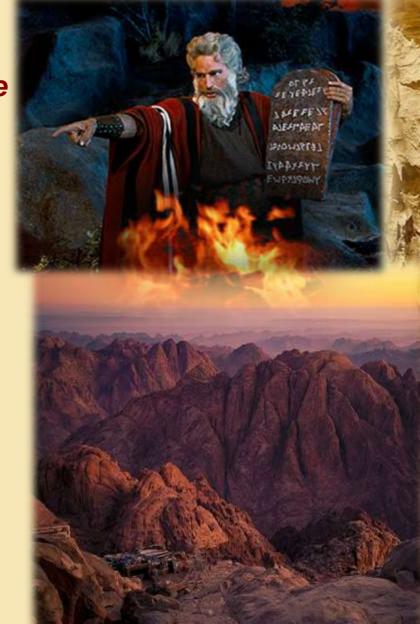
Moses orders the men to Lock'n Load Swords ON ... and ... Listen to Moses' ORDERS: Exodus 32:27 Go back and forth through the camp From one end to the other, each killing his brother and friend and neighbor. Locked 'n Loaded Levites went forth v. 28 3,000 Died



Exodus 32:29-35
Next, the SERMON ... here's a News Headline
Pastor KILLS 3,000 then Preaches!
<sup>32:29</sup> Then Moses said, "You have been set apart to the LORD today, for you were against your own sons and brothers, and he has blessed you this day."

NEXT day ...

Moses is not finished



Next day ... Moses goes back to God Moses asks for MERCY **OKAY ... Lord will NOT destroy ALL!** LORD struck the people with a *PLAGUE* Plague closes Exodus 32 **God is Finished** Exodus 33 ... God sends Israel to the **Promised Land** Yet .... God KNOWS their hearts ... still LOVES them

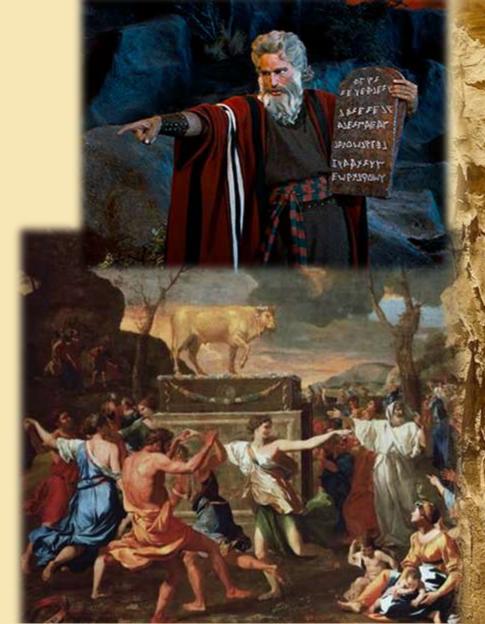


**Finally got a ride** With a preacher man who asked "Where you bound on such a cold dark afternoon?" As we drove on thru the rain, As he listened, I explained And he left me with a prayer That I'd find YOU

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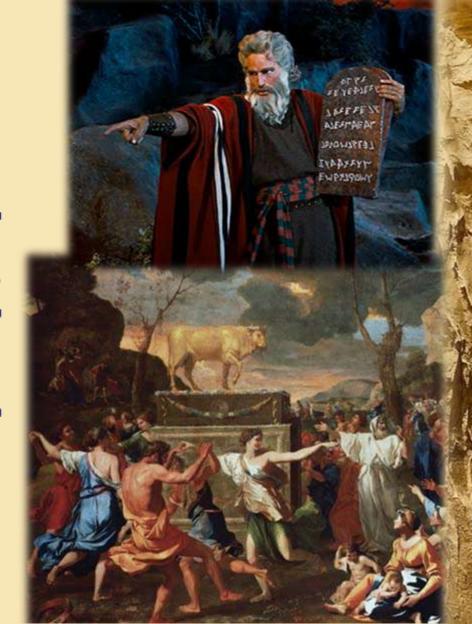
Should your church build a Golden Calf Will you be the BOSS? Will you see THROUGH poor, pitiful ... See TRHOUGH pitifully penitent Aaron? Or will you be just another Israelite FULL OF

BULL



Not that MOSES did anything wrong Just pointing out that all too OFTEN There is too LARGE a difference Between WHO we are on our **KNEES** and who we are in THE WORLD Between WHO we are in Prayer CLOSET and who we are at WORK Between WHO we are on the MOUTAIN and who we are facing the

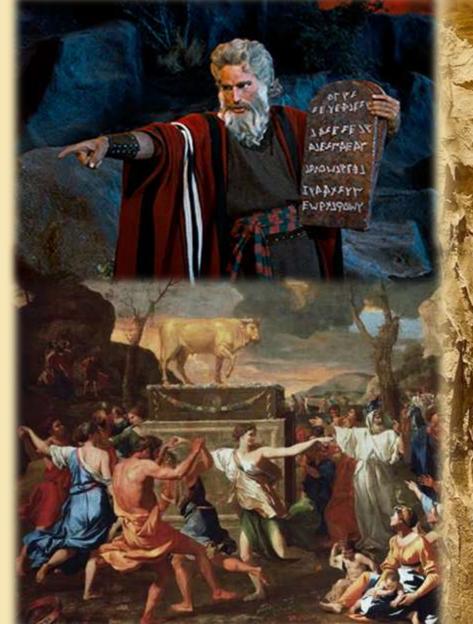
**Mad Cow Disease** 



The real question of the hour is Who *HAVE* you been? ... or rather ... WHO will YOU BE when you ...

- ✓ Get off your Knees?
- ✓ Get out of your Prayer Closet?
- ✓ Come down from your Mt. Sinai?

## Who will YOU BE ...



Real question of the hour is Who will YOU BE ... Who WILL you BE ... when you see the **Mad Cow Disease** cause dah Mad Cow Disease is a 21st Century

> Worldwide PLAGUE

