

- 2) Moses goes a 1st time up into the mountain
 - i) Moses goes up to the mountain and the Lord says to him, "Moses, I am going to make a covenant with my people. They are going to be a holy nation. Of all the nations of the earth, they are going to be my people and I am going to be their God. But there is a condition. They have to ~~o~~ obey my commandments."
 - ii) Moses tells the people the words of the Lord and the people want the Lord to be their God and they want to be His people.
- 3) Moses goes a 2nd time up into the mountain
 - i) Moses tells the Lord the words of the people.
 - ii) The Lord says, "You go down and tell them to prepare themselves by washing themselves and their clothes (symbolic of separating themselves from all evil and uncleanness) and in three days a trumpet will sound. And when the trumpet sounds, they are to come out in front of this mountain. They are not to go into this mountain or they will die because that's where the presence of the Lord is. Any animal that goes into that mountain will die."
 - iii) The Lord says to Moses, "I am going to speak to you directly so that they can hear me speak to you and know that you are to be their leader. ~~For~~ ^{Then} I am going to give the law that I want them to obey."
- 4) The people prepare themselves and on the 3rd day, they come up in front of the mountain and Moses is with them and the Lord descends in a cloud.
 - i) We are told that the whole mountain just lit up with fire.
 - ii) There was billows of smoke, thundering and lightening.
 - iii) The mountains actually shook.
- 5) The Lord calls Moses to come up to the top and Moses goes up.
- 6) Moses goes up into the mountain a 3rd time
 - i) The Lord tells Moses, "I want you to go back down and warn the people again that no one is to come in this mountain. And when you come back up I want you to bring Aaron with you."
 - ii) So Moses goes back down and warns the people again not to go into the mountain.
 - iii) This is where the Lord gives the 10 commandments out loud so that the people of Israel can hear him.