

November 26
Leviticus 26

Set Futures



Happy Holidays



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

Exodus

1.	Sept	3	Reluctance	3-4	Moses at Burning Bush
2.	Sept	10	Confrontation	7	Moses before Pharaoh
3.	Sept	17	Liberation	12	Passover – “When I see ... blood ”
4.	Sept	24	Victory	14	Moses—Parting of Red Sea
5.	Oct	1	Sufficient	16	Moses—Manna from Heaven
6.	Oct	8	Commanded	20	Moses—Ten Commandments
7.	Oct	15	Equipped	25-31	Moses—Building the Tabernacle
8.	Oct	22	Rebellion	32	Golden Calf & Moses’ Prayer
9.	Oct	29	His Presence	39-40	Glory of LORD Filled Tabernacle

Leviticus

10.	Nov	5	Set Before	1-3	Burnt, Grain, Fellowship Offerings
11.	Nov	12	Set Apart	9-10	LORD’s Fire Consumes Offerings
12.	Nov	19	Set Free	16	Annual Day of Atonement
13.	Nov	26	Set Futures	26	<i>If You Follow My Statutes</i>



Your Quarterly closed Leviticus:

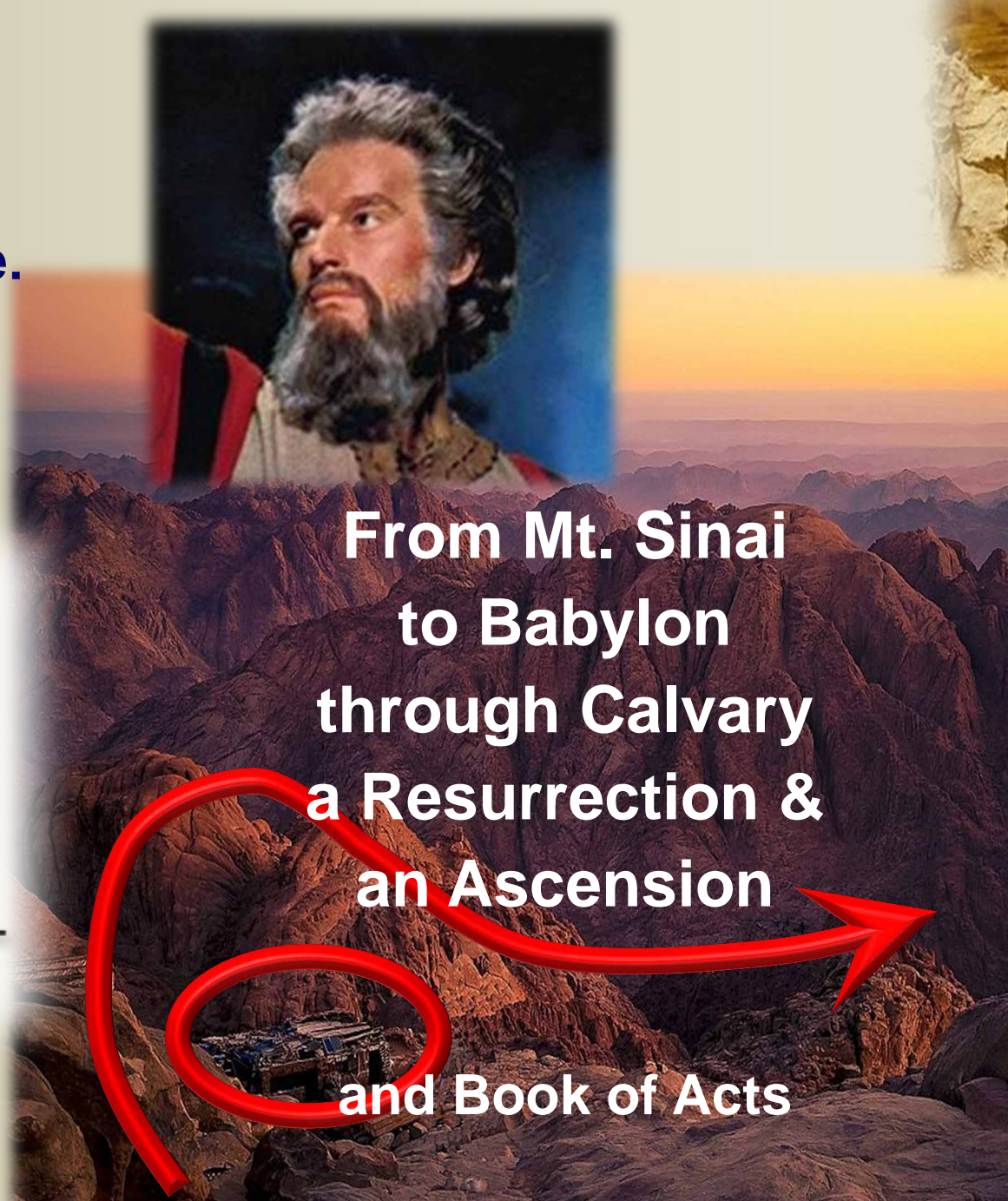
**“The proper response to God’s
grace ... is repentance & obedience.**

**Wise believers will seek to live
faithfully for God, thus avoiding
the need for His discipline....**

**Genuine love for the Lord
demonstrates itself in
obedience to Him.**



**Yet the journey to that superlative
statement took about 1,400 years.**



**From Mt. Sinai
to Babylon
through Calvary
a Resurrection &
an Ascension**

and Book of Acts

Theme

God promises to bless those who are faithful to Him and discipline those who are not.

Leviticus 26

26:1-2 Idols & Sabbath – No Idols ... Keep Sabbath

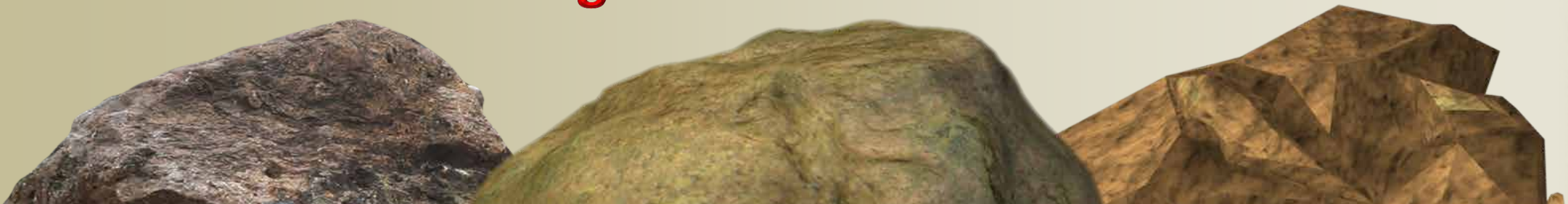
✦ 26:3-13 Promise – If You Keep ... I'll Give Rain

✦ 26:14-39 Warning – If You Don't ... I'll Give Disease *plus*

26:40-45 Return – Confess & I'll Remember

Promise & Warning ... nearly poetic

a *long* trail leads to them



Key Verse – Leviticus 26:3-4

If you follow my decrees ...

I will send you RAIN

in its season,

and the ground will yield

its crops and the trees their fruit.

Alternate Title

Do & Get

versus

Don't & Die

Alternate Title #2

Obey for Rain

Disobey for Ruin

or

Rain or Ruin

Alternate Title #3

Let it Rain

Please,

Let it *Rain*

**Israel STILL
at the foot of
Mt. Sinai**

**Jebel Musa
Mt. Horeb**

*Horeb often refers to
whole mountain range*



Leviticus

Book of Levites ... written in a MONTH

Hebrew Rabbis: *Law of the Priests*

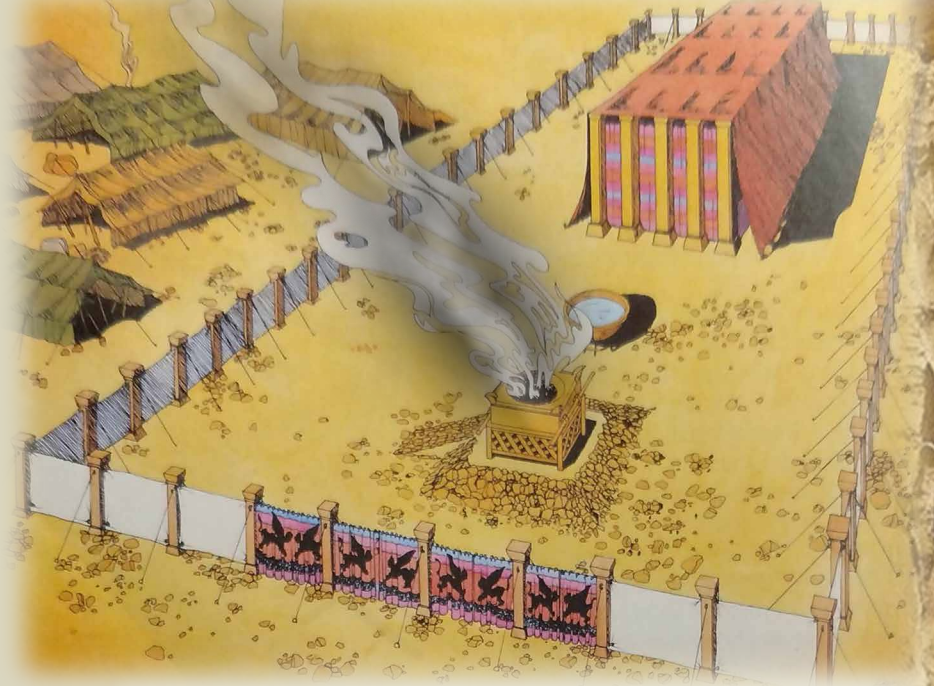
Book with MOST words spoken by God to Moses—nearly whole book!

O.T. experts Keil & Delitzsch ... said

“spiritual statute-book of Israel as
the congregation of Jehovah.”

Its Outline ...

Divides easily into Two Sections



Tabernacle of God in the Wilderness

Leviticus a Law Book

Leviticus

Very Simple Outline

1. God and People 1-16

A. Sacrifices 1-7

B. Aaron & Priesthood 8-10

C. Cleanliness 11-16

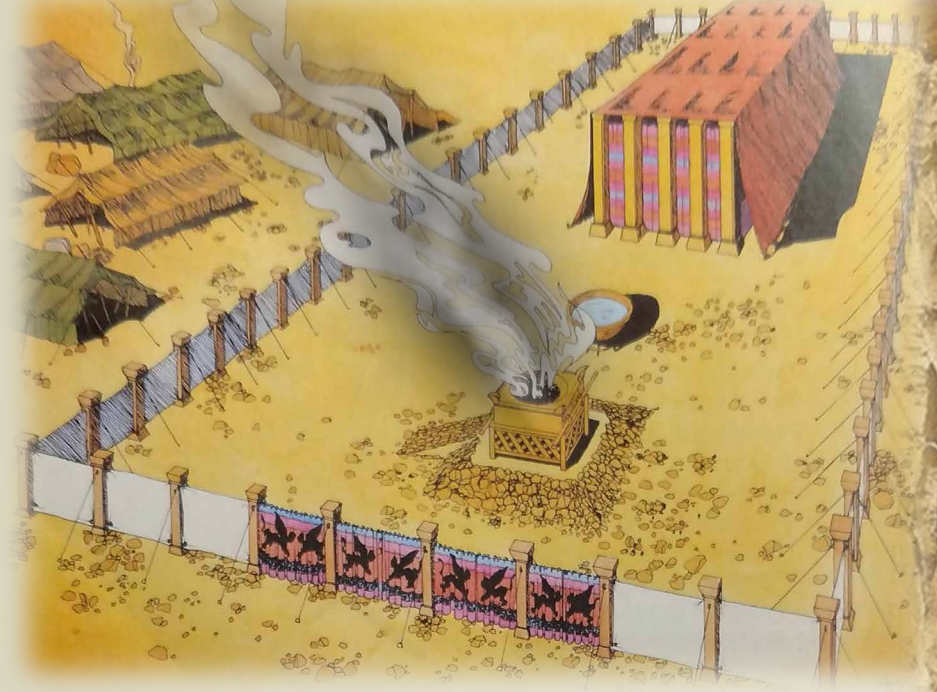
2. People in Society 17-27

A. Rules for Daily Life 17-25

B. Covenant Confirmation 26

C. Vows 27

Notice: 1. Love God
2. Love Others



NOW THEN

LOOK SEE

Pay Attention

Leviticus

and

LAWS

Outline by
Keil & Delitzsch

You are
HERE



1. Love God
2. Love Others

1 Laws Covenant Fellowship Between LORD & Israel 1-16	
A. Laws of Sacrifice	1-7
B. Induction of Aaron & Sons into Priesthood	8-10
C. Laws Relating to Clean and Unclean Animals	11
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Leviticus and **LAWS**

You are
HERE



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1. Love God
- 2. Love Others**

Entire latter half
often referred to as the
Holiness Code

Warning ... Warning

Chapter 26 ... I hope you do NOT slip

Some make 26 apply to the N.T.

But we are studying the BIBLE ...

First—what does 26 say to 1400 B.C.
pre-conquest, pre-Prophet Israel?

Chapter 26 is nearly poetic, beautiful

26 is *unquestionably* talking about

All of the Above

26 is NOT talking about Jesus



Warning ... Warning

Knowing there's a clear relevance

Ahhh ... yet, be careful ...

I am CONFIDENT that No One here
is planning on killing all

Blasphemers!

Part of the LAW *before* Christ

26 clearly points to Leviticus 1-25

Moses was NOT talking about Christ

Christ did in fact give us a New Law



Christ ... Not only Fulfilled

Leviticus 1-25 ... *hear ye, hear ye*

Christ also fulfilled Leviticus 26

which makes strict *absolute* demands
that we *O b e y* Leviticus 1-25.

Now—the New Law that Christ gave?

Love One Another

Paul wrote plenty of a new freedom

As travel this last lesson, remember

26 is talking about Leviticus 1-25



Another key verse could be Leviticus 26:11

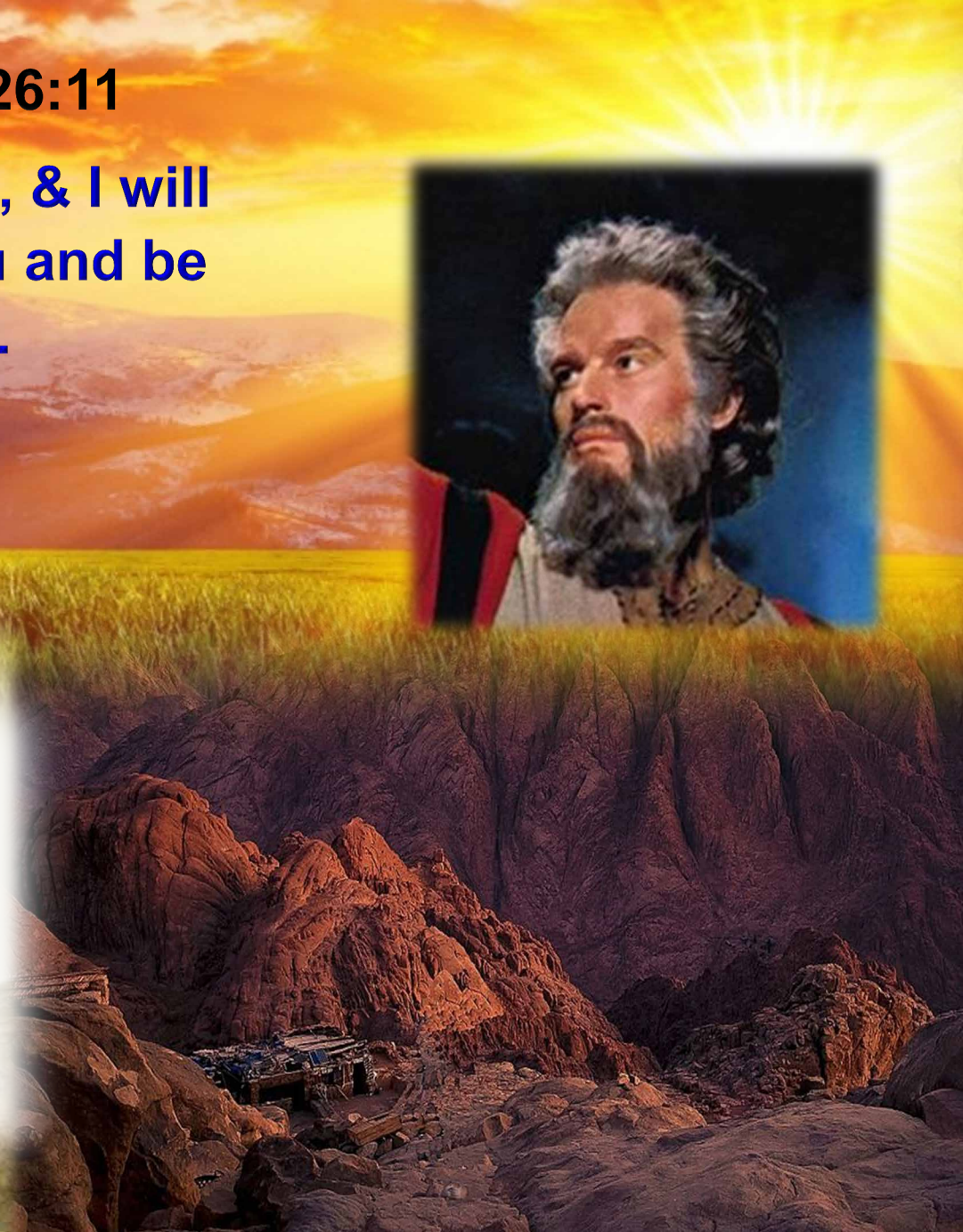
¹¹ I will place my residence among you, & I will not reject you. I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my people.

Quarterly noted that verse found its
“ultimate ‘amen’ in Christ & will be
experienced at the end of the age.”

See Revelation 21:1-17

¹ Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea....

et cetera ... et cetera ... et cetera



In closing the Book of Leviticus

Remember when we started, 'tis a tradition
for Jews to call a book by the first word –
as Genesis from “in the beginning”

Though “Leviticus” was from the
Latin & Greek for “Law of Priests”

The earlier Hebrew is from 1st word
“and called” from root translated
and **“called”** appears **301x** in O.T.

Now then ... we said all that to say

NOTICE throughout latter half



In the Book of Leviticus

Repeated over and over and **O V E R**

Especially in latter half, almost introducing

EVERY section repeated over & over

LORD said to Moses

We have many others in the O.T. who
relay words directly from God

We have a few in the N.T.

Moses received more **DIRECT WORDS**
from God than any other by **FAR**



Latter half of the Book of Leviticus
Known as the

Holiness Code

Needs attention ... and an overview

If we are to appreciate chapter 26
as MORE than a simple, elementary,
even easy peasy Moral Equation ...

As in “Do & Get” versus “Don’t & Die”

We need to see clearly the 9 chapters
that PRECEDE chapter 26 ...

We REALLY do



Latter half of the Book of Leviticus
Holiness Code

Let me forewarn you of chapter 26
Words of 26 are CLEAR, even simple

“Do & Get”

or

“Don’t & Die”

Words of 26 are CLEAR, even simple
Israel is given two choices:

Rain or Ruin



After the Day of Atonement ... chapters **17-27**

A. Holiness of Conduct by Israelites 17-20

17:1, **And the LORD said to Moses**

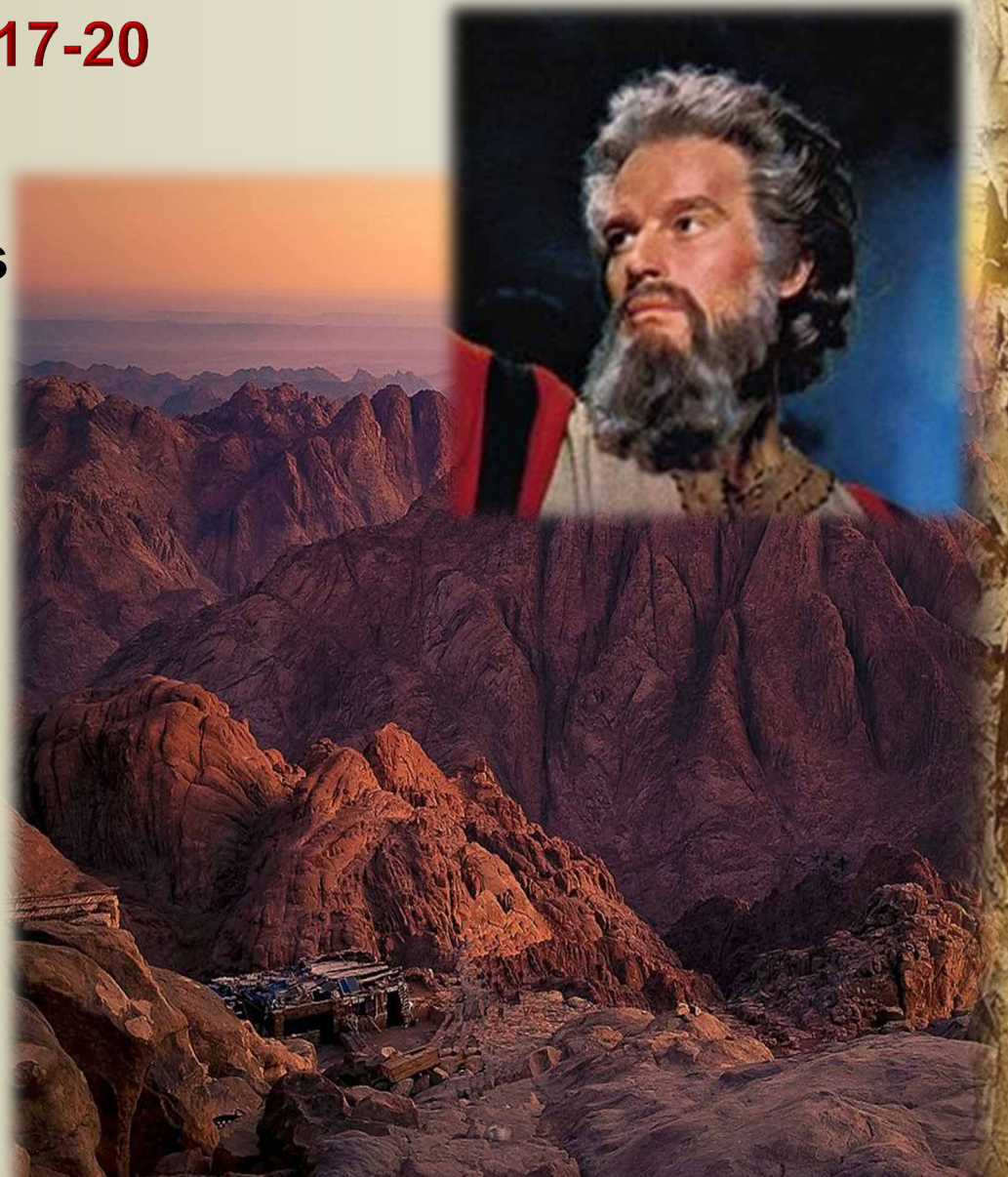
17:2, Moses told to tell Aaron, his sons
and all Israel ... a **LOT of Stuff**

Chapter 17 ... HOW to sacrifice,
mainly to first bring it to the Priest

17:11, perhaps the most theologically
informative verse in all of Leviticus:

**For the LIFE of a creature is in the
BLOOD ... it is the BLOOD that
makes atonement for one's LIFE.**

Rest of chapter ... don't eat **BLOOD**



A. Holiness of Conduct by Israelites 17-20

18—Unlawful Sexual Relations

18:1, And the LORD said to Moses

**Don't do as they do in Egypt
from whence you came**

**Don't do as they do in Canaan
where you're going**

Don't have sex with ... close family

**Don't sacrifice children to Molek
no homosexuality ... no bestiality**

18:30 ... I am the LORD your God.



A. Holiness of Conduct by Israelites 17-20

19—Potpourri of Laws for Holy Living

19:1, *again*, The LORD said to Moses

19:2, “Speak to ... Israel:

**‘Be holy because I,
the LORD your God, am holy.**

Respect Mom & Pop ... Sabbath too

Don’t make Idols ... Don’t ... Don’t

**Steel, Bad Sacrifices, Slander,
Reap Fields Badly, Speak Evil,
Defraud, Curse Deaf, Trip Blind,
Pervert Justice, Hate Fellow Israelite,
Prostitute your Daughter,
Use Mediums**



A. Holiness of Conduct by Israelites 17-20

19—Various Laws for Holy Living

Really like 19:32

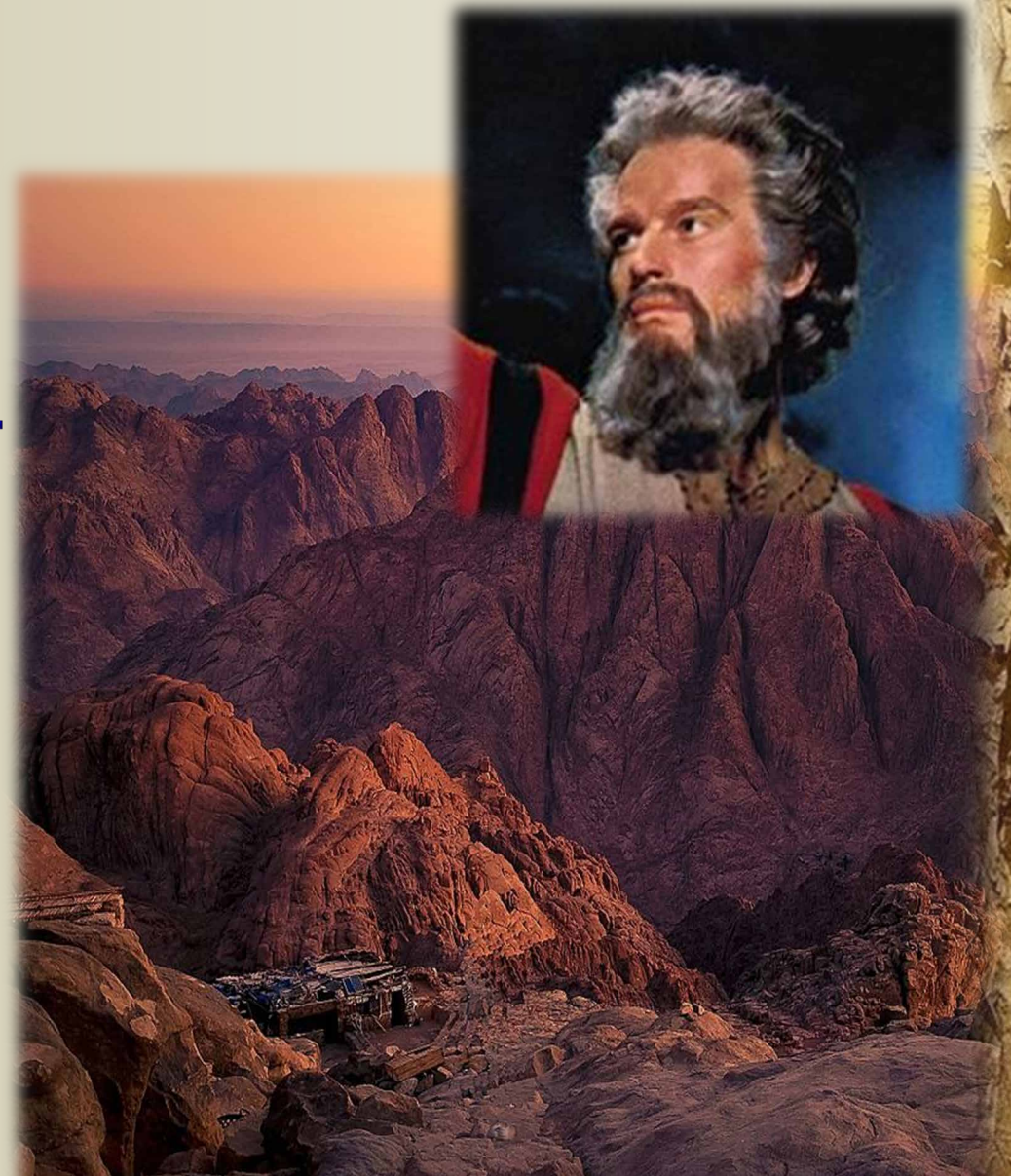
32 “ ‘Stand up in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the LORD.

Don’t ... Don’t ... Mistreat Foreigners,

34 Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the LORD your God.

Don’t Use Dishonest scales

19:37 “ ‘Keep all my decrees ... laws & follow them. I am the LORD.’ ”



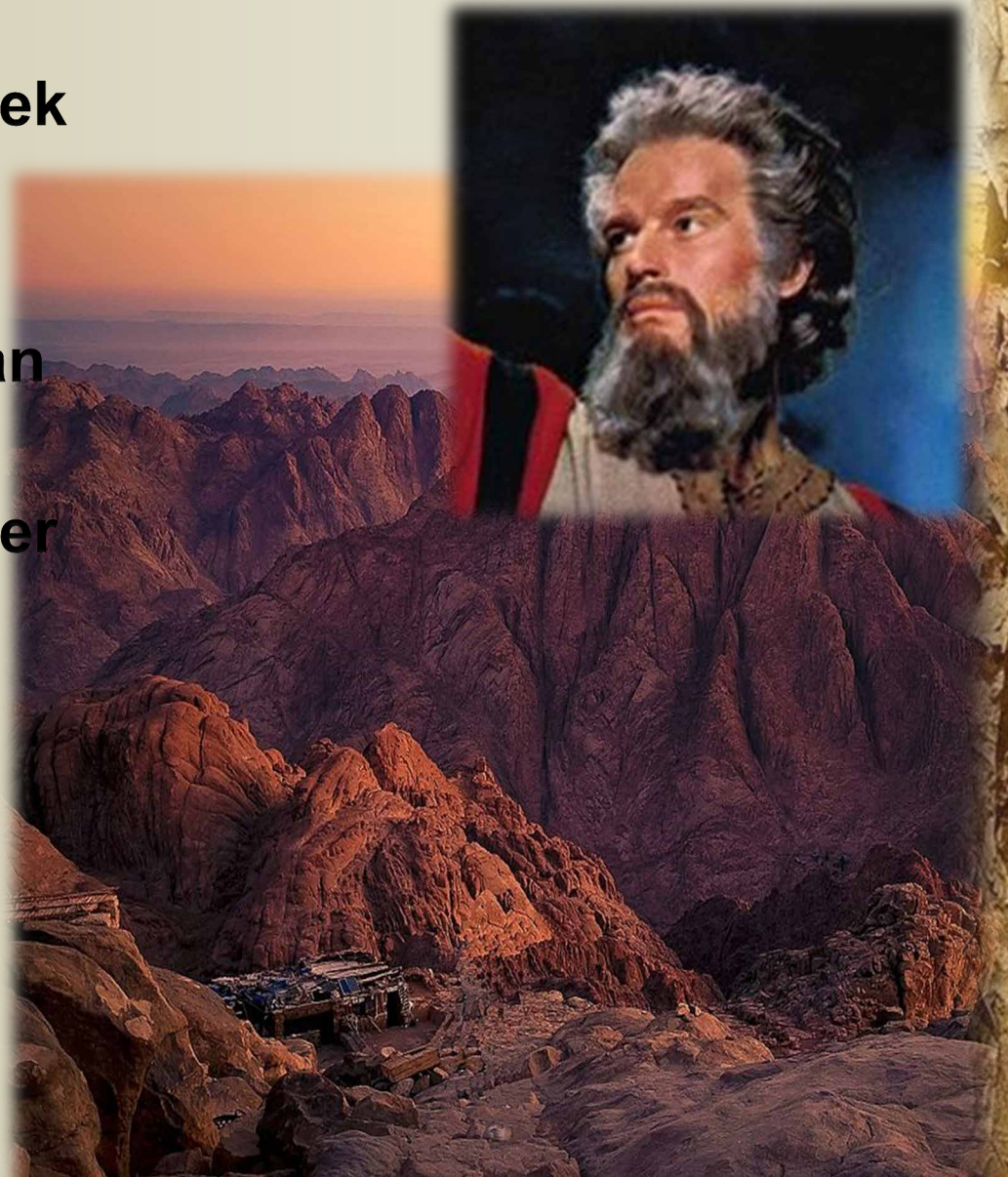
20—Punishments for sin

20:1, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ Stone'em—sacrifice children to Molek
- ✓ Curse'em—who turn to mediums
- ✓ Kill'em—who curse mother & father
- ✓ Kill'em—who adultery, man & woman
- ✓ Kill'em—incest & homosexuals
- ✓ Burn'em—marries mother & daughter
- ✓ Kill'em—sex w animal, kill BOTH
- ✓ Lots of Killing ...

²⁶ You are to be holy to me because I, the LORD, am holy, and I have set you apart from the nations to be my own.

²⁷ Kill'em—all mediums & spiritualists



B. Holiness of Priests, Holy Gifts, & Sacrifices

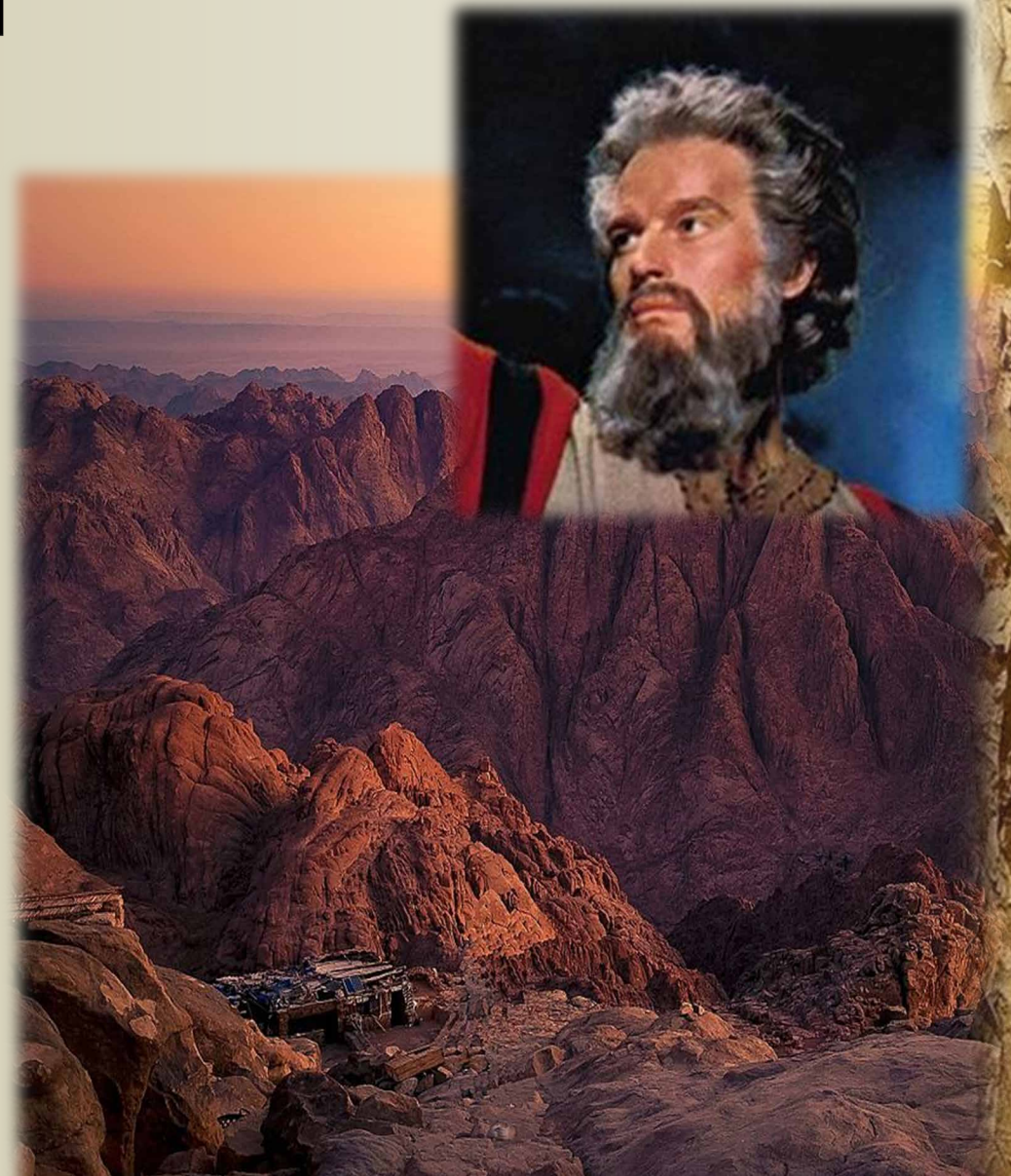
21-22

21:1-15, Priests ... 21:16-24, Holy Food

21:1, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ Priests stay clean
- ✓ Don't Shave sides of beards
- ✓ Don't Cut Self
- ✓ Don't profane name of God
- ✓ Not marry prostitutes or divorced
- ✓ Burn priest's daughter > prostitute
- ✓ Priests must marry a virgin

21:16, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**



B. Holiness of Priests, Holy Gifts, & Sacrifices 21-22

21:16-24, Holy Food

21:16, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

Those offering food to God

- ✓ No descendent w defect
- ✓ No man ANY defect to come near
- ✓ No blind ... lame ... disfigured
- ✓ No crippled foot or hand
- ✓ No hunchback or a dwarf
- ✓ No one with eye defect
- ✓ No one with festering sores
- ✓ No one with damaged testicles



B. Holiness of Priests, Holy Gifts, & Sacrifices 21-22

22—Offerings and Priest

22:1, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ Treat Offerings with RESPECT
- ✓ Priests stay clean w EXTRA rules

22:17, **The LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ Only Animals without Defect

22:26, **The LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ Animals young, not too young

³¹ **“Keep my commands ... I am the LORD.**

³² **Do not profane my holy name, for I must be acknowledged
as holy by the Israelites. I am the LORD, who made you holy**

³³ **and who brought you out of Egypt to be your God. I am the LORD.”**



C. Sanctification of Sabbath & Annual Feasts

23

23:1, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

THESE are the Festivals:

- ✓ 3-4, Sabbath
- ✓ 5, Passover,
- ✓ 6-8, Feast of Unleavened Bread

23:9, 23, 26, 33, **LORD said to Moses**

- ✓ 10-25, Feast of Unleavened Bread
- ✓ 27-32, Day of Atonement
- ✓ 34-43, Festival of Tabernacles

**⁴⁴ Moses announced to the Israelites
the appointed festivals of the LORD.**



D. Preparation of Holy Lamps & Shew-Bread 24

24:1, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

Lampstand & Table of Bread

✓ 1-4, Lamps attended continually

✓ 5-9 Set 12 Loaves regularly

10-12, Narrative on Fight ...

Blaspheming Man in custody

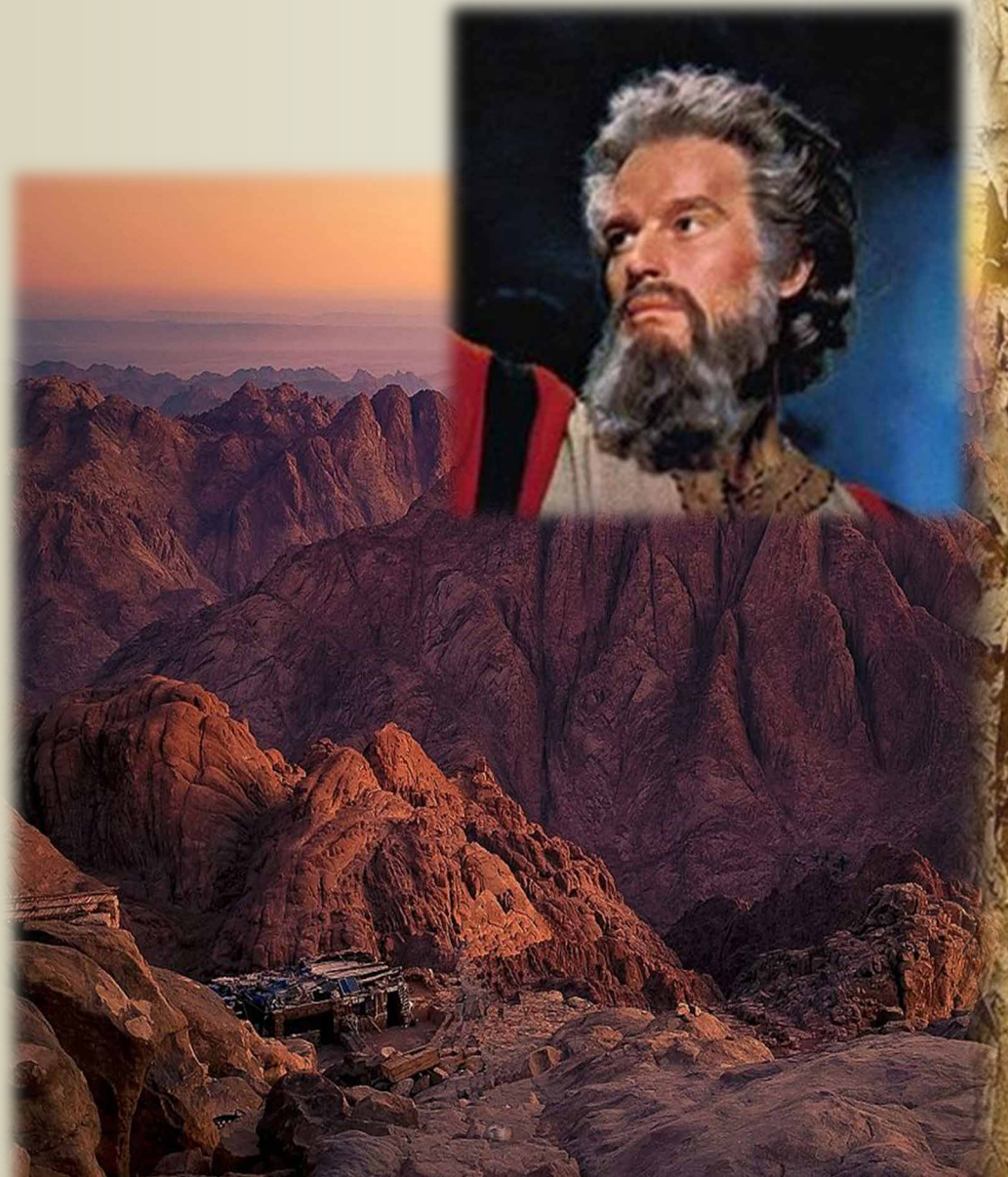
24:13, *again*, **The LORD said to Moses**

24:14 Kill the Blaspheming Man

15-16 Kill **ALL** Blasphemers

17 Murderer to be Killed

18 Animal Killed, **Kill**, **“Life for Life”**



D. Preparation of Holy Lamps & Shew-Bread 24

vv 19-20 Neighbor Injured ... "Eye for an Eye"

v 21 Same for killing of Animals

v 21 *again*, Murderer must be Killed

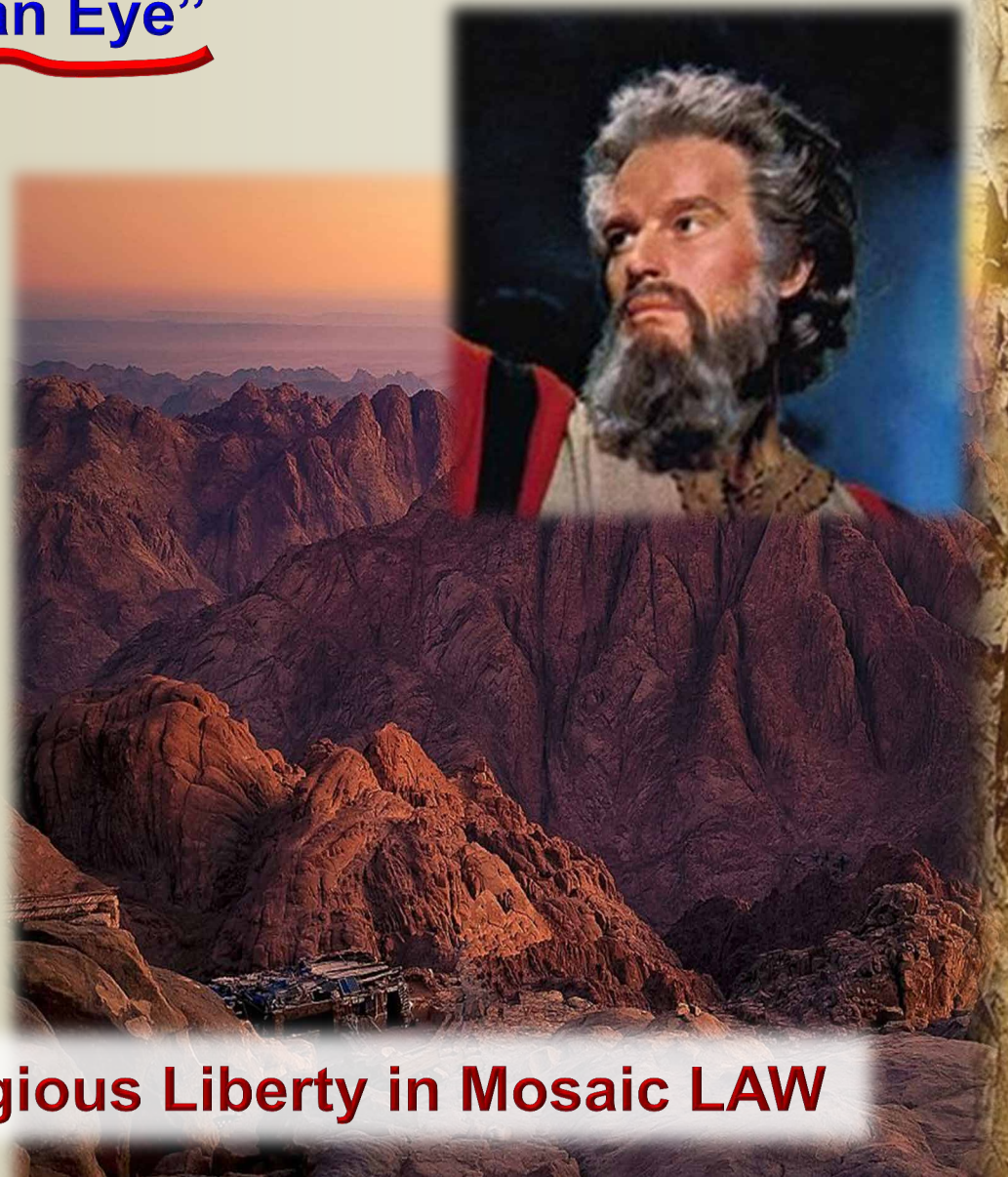
v 22 Same for Israelite & Foreigner

And chapter 24 closes

²³ Then Moses spoke to the Israelites,
they took the blasphemer outside
the camp and stoned him.
The Israelites did as the LORD
commanded Moses.

Well now—they **OBEYED** here

Blasphemers ... to be killed ... no Religious Liberty in Mosaic LAW



E. Sanctify of Land by Sabbatical & Jubilee Years **25**

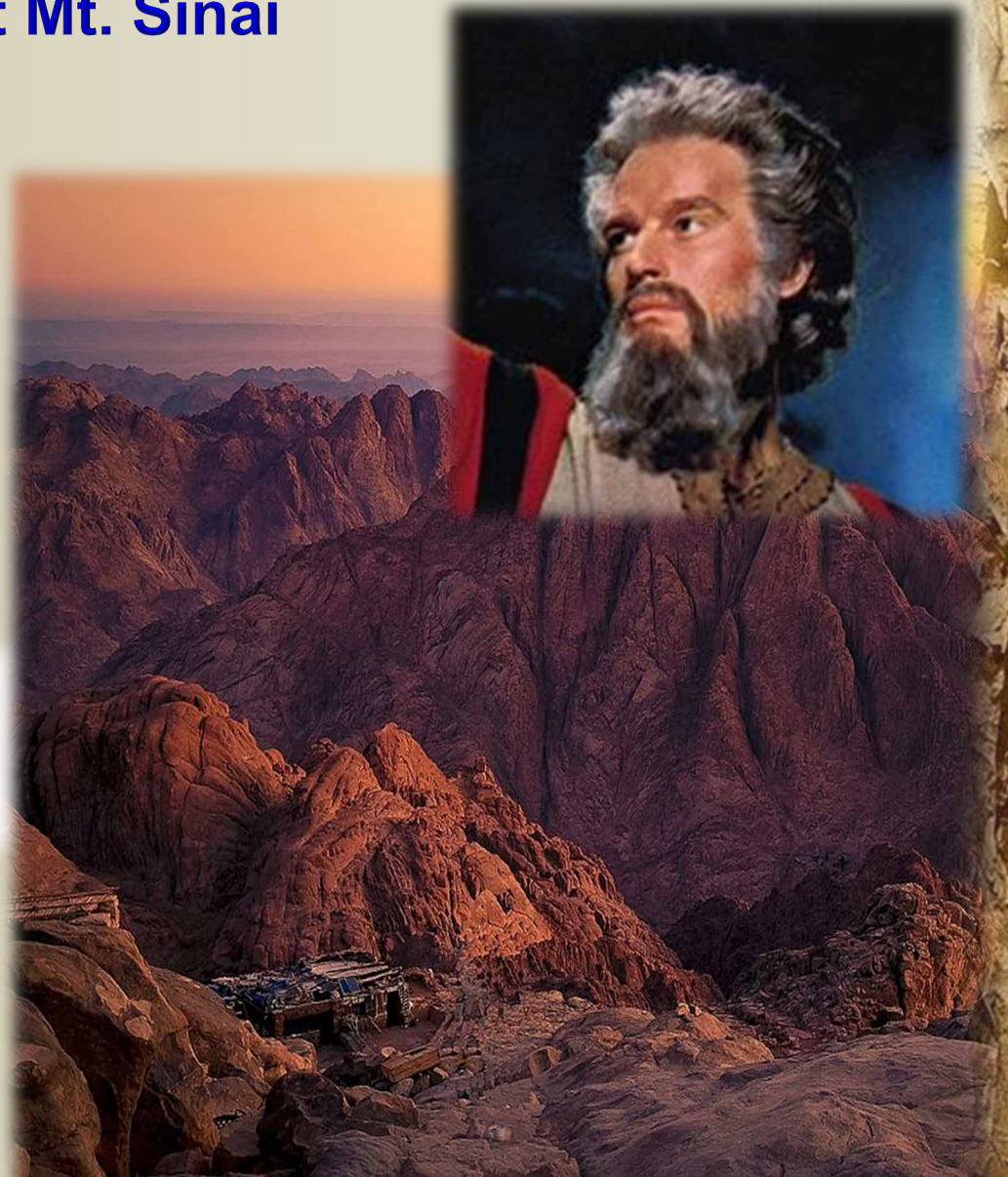
25:1, *again*, **The LORD** said to Moses at Mt. Sinai

2-55 **When you ENTER the land**

- ✓ Land itself Observe the Sabbath
- ✓ Count 7 x 7 Sabbath Years
- ✓ 50th to be Jubilee
- ✓ So forth, etc., for 55 verses

25:10, Consecrate the 50th year and
proclaim **LIBERTY** throughout the
Land to **ALL** its inhabitants.

It shall be a **JUBILEE** for you;
each of you is to return to your
family property & to your own clan.



● F. Promises & Threats 26

G. Valuations & Vows of
Persons & Animals 27:1-24

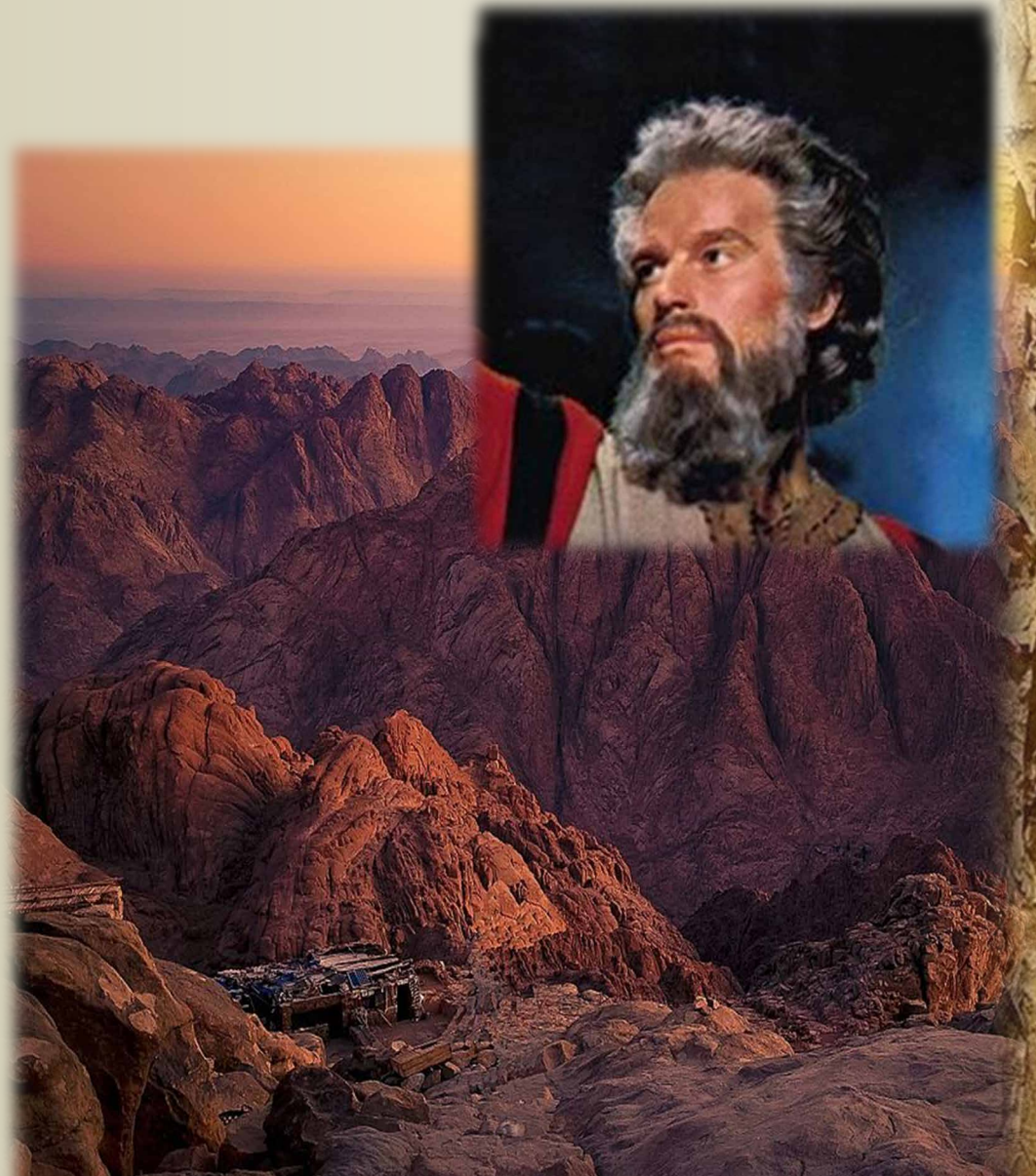
H. Tithes of the Land 27:25-29

Chapter 27 seems like a post script

Chapter 26 *continues*
LORD's words to Moses

26:1-2, ✓ Do NOT make Idols

✓ Remember the Sabbath



F. Promises & Threats

26

G. Valuations & Vows

27:1-24

H. Tithes of the Land

27:25-29

Chapter 26 *continues*

LORD's words to Moses

26:3-14 Promise – If You Keep ... I'll Give Rain

³ “If you follow my decrees and
are careful to obey my commands,
⁴ I will send you rain in its season,
and the ground will yield its crops
and the trees their fruit.

and so forth ... in glorious words
et cetera ... even **POETICAL**



26:14-39 Warning – If You Don't ... I'll Give Disease *plus*

14 “ ‘But if you will not listen to me ...

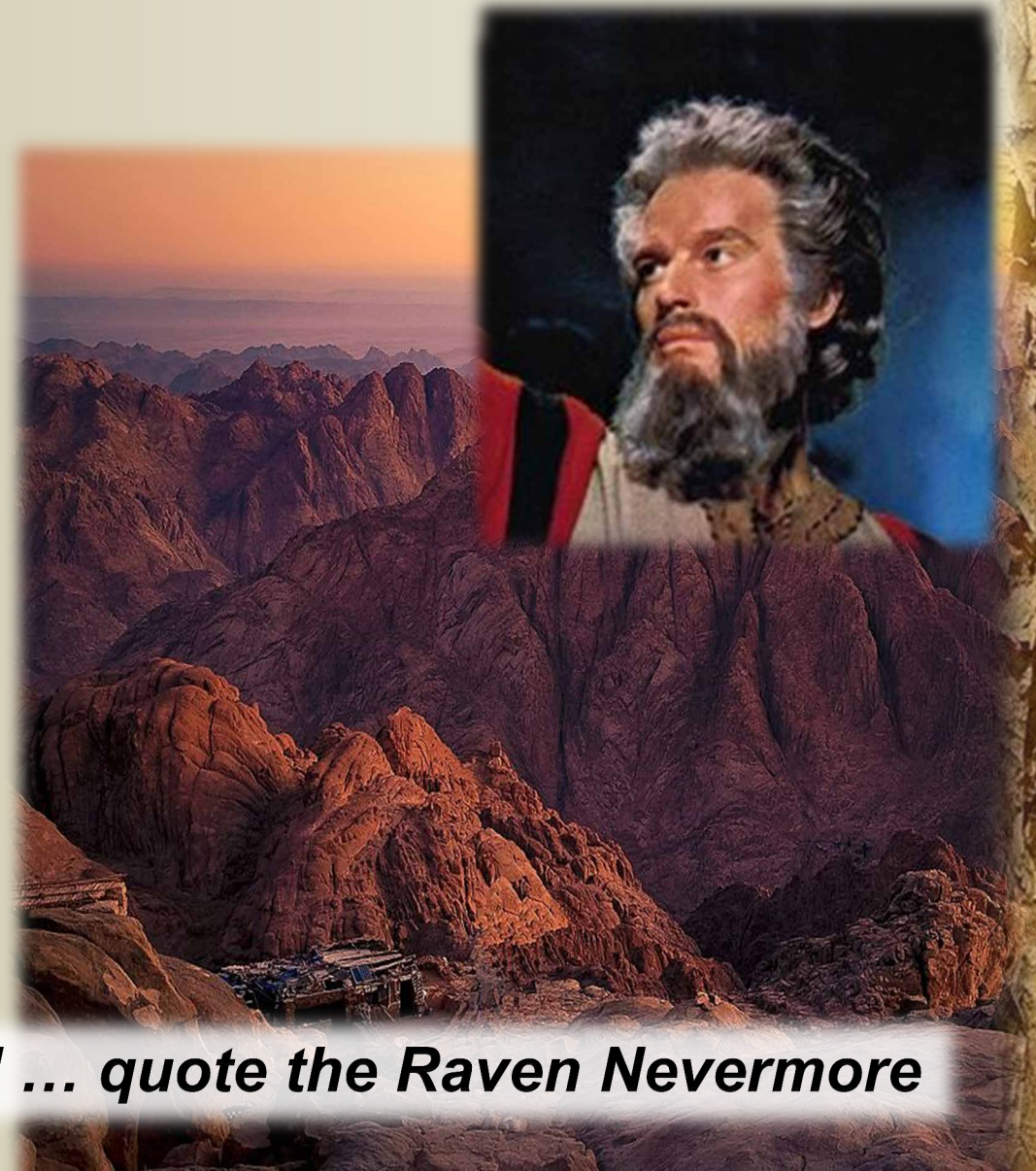
15 if you **reject** my decrees and
abhor my laws and
fail to carry out

A L L my commands and
so **violate** my covenant,

16 then I will do this to you:
I will bring on you sudden **terror**,
wasting **diseases** and **fever**
that will **destroy** your sight
and **sap** your strength....

17 I will set my face against you....

et cetera even DARKLY poetical ... quote the Raven Nevermore



26:14-39 Warning – If You Don't ... I'll Give Disease *plus*
and ... *et cetera* ...

In the most horrible, lengthy fashion ...

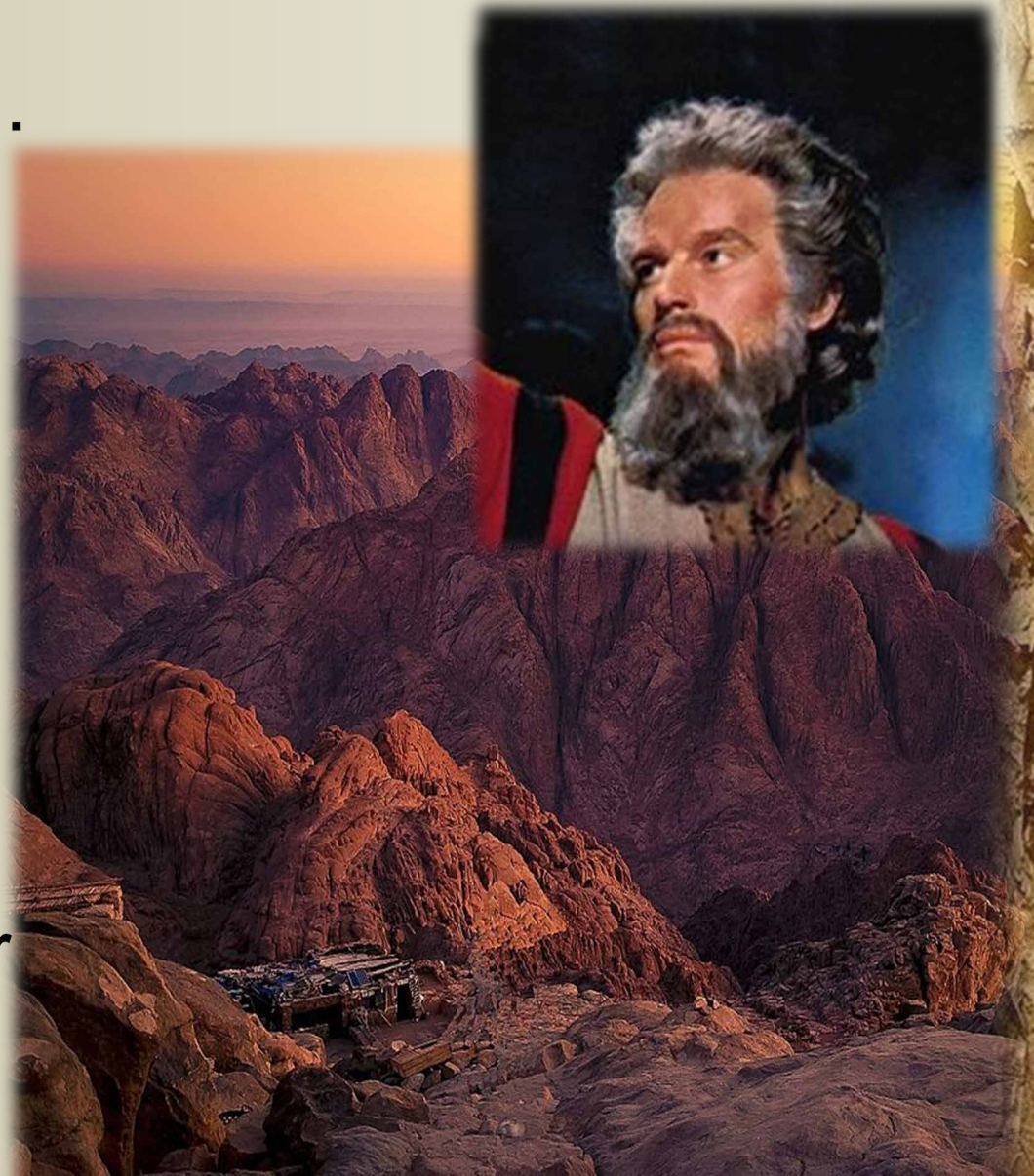
Almost sad NOT to read all ...

Last of this extensive “*warning*”

**³⁹ Those of you who are left will
waste away in the lands of their
enemies because of their sins;
also because of their ancestors'
sins they will waste away.**

Read chapter 26 carefully ...

**Benefits of Obedience are Spectacular
*even STELLAR***



26:14-39 Warning – If You Don't ... I'll Give Disease *plus*

Read chapter 26 carefully ...

STELLAR as are the Benefits

So the hazards of Disobedience are
even as spectacularly terrorizing
even ...

ABYSMAL RUIN

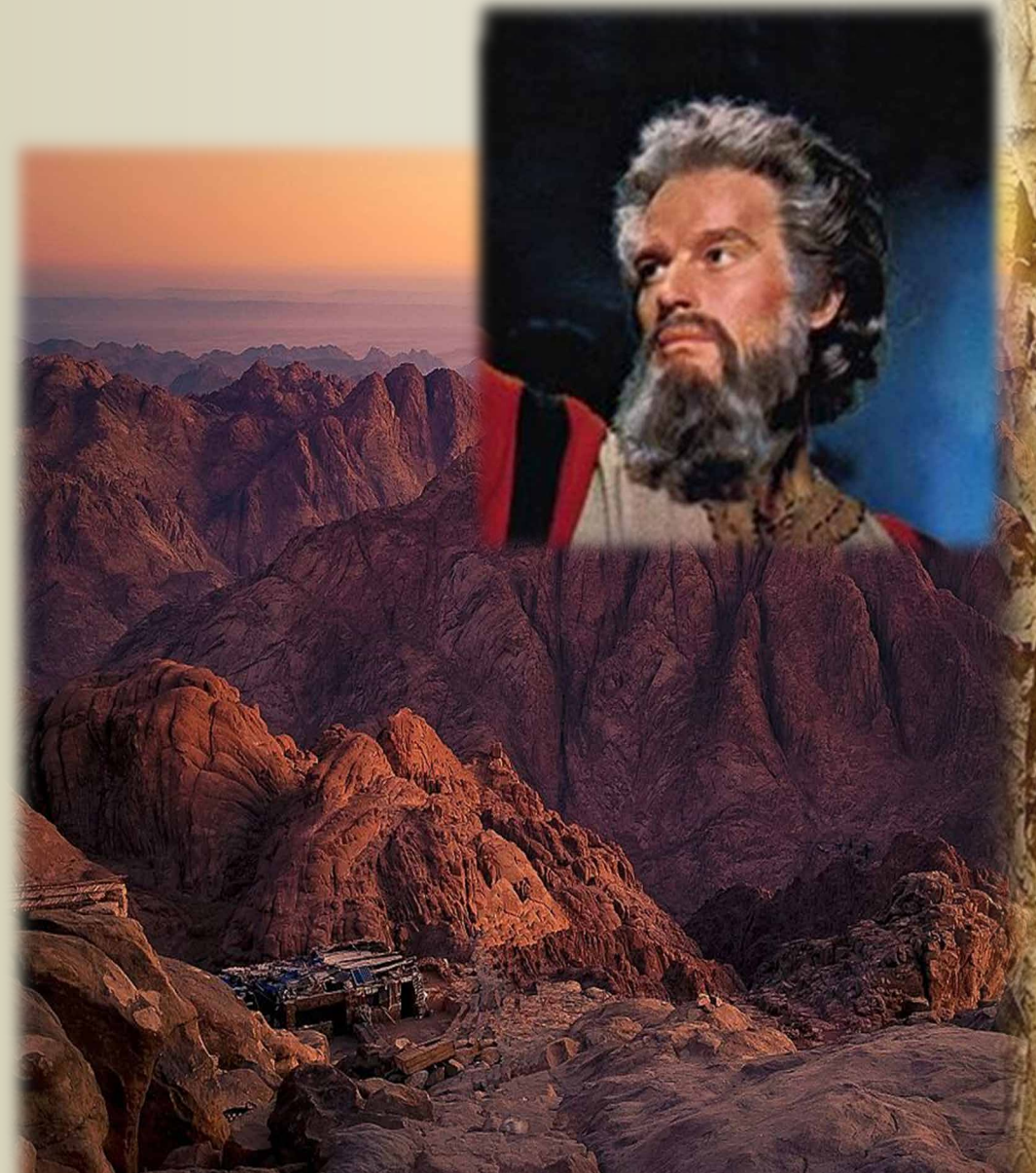
yes, 39 darkly poetic verses of ruin

So artistic in their dismal opposition

Obedience ... Glorious Prosperity

Disobey ... Abysmal Ruin

so very utterly Simple



26:40-45 Return ... as simple

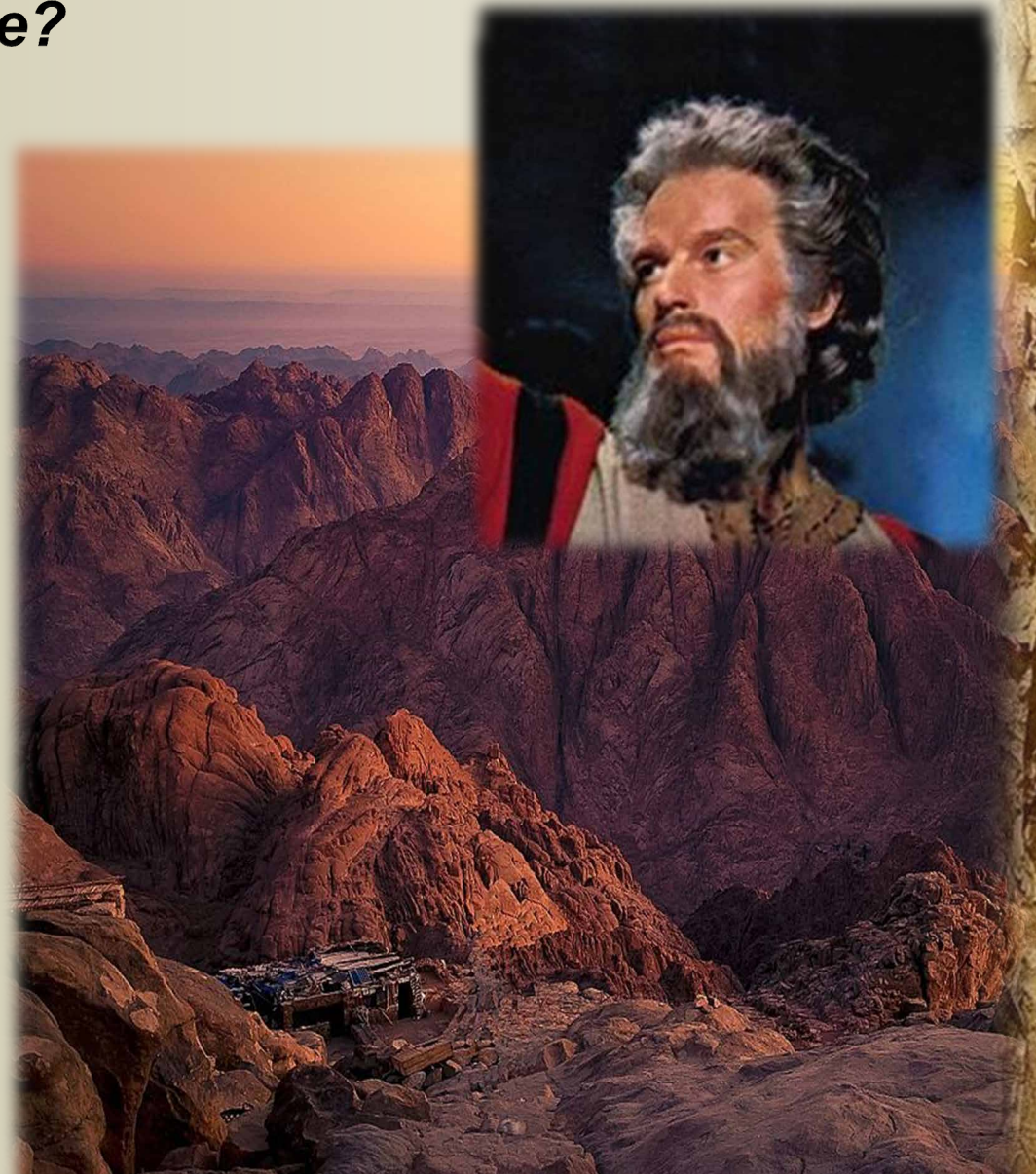
*I wonder ... is it all **REALLY** that simple?*

40 “ ‘But if they will confess their sins
and the sins of their ancestors....

42 I will remember my covenant....

44 I will not reject them ...
I am the LORD their God.

45 But for their sake I will remember
the covenant with their ancestors
whom I brought out of Egypt
in the sight of the nations
to be their God.
I am the LORD.’ ”



Leviticus ... so many words from God

Following the mighty Exodus

Still at the foot of Mt. Sinai

40 years of wandering to go

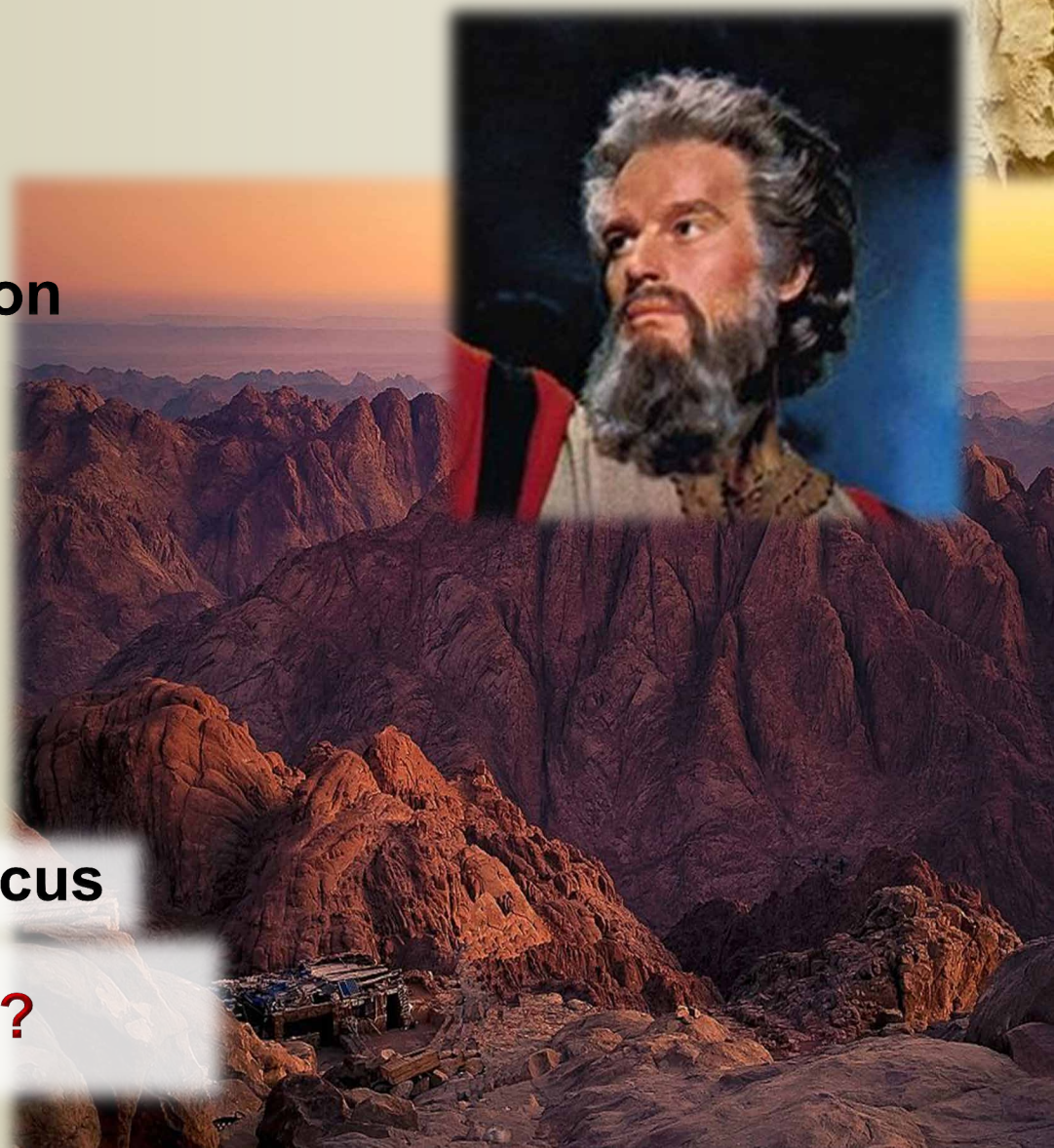
- ✓ **About 400 years to David & Solomon**
- ✓ **Almost 1,000 years to the Exile**
- ✓ **Almost 1,500 years to Christ**

Herod's Temple destroyed in A.D. 70

**Almost 2,000 more years to 1948 when
Israel was recognized as a Nation**

TODAY—about 3,500 years since Leviticus

Where's the Spectacular Blessing?



Leviticus ... there is a lesson on obedience

But the message TODAY is ... *wait for it*

No One KEPT the whole Law **THEN**

No One keeps the whole Levitical Law **TODAY**

Prosperity of Obedience?

When? ... Maybe *late* in David's Life

... Maybe in Solomon's Reign

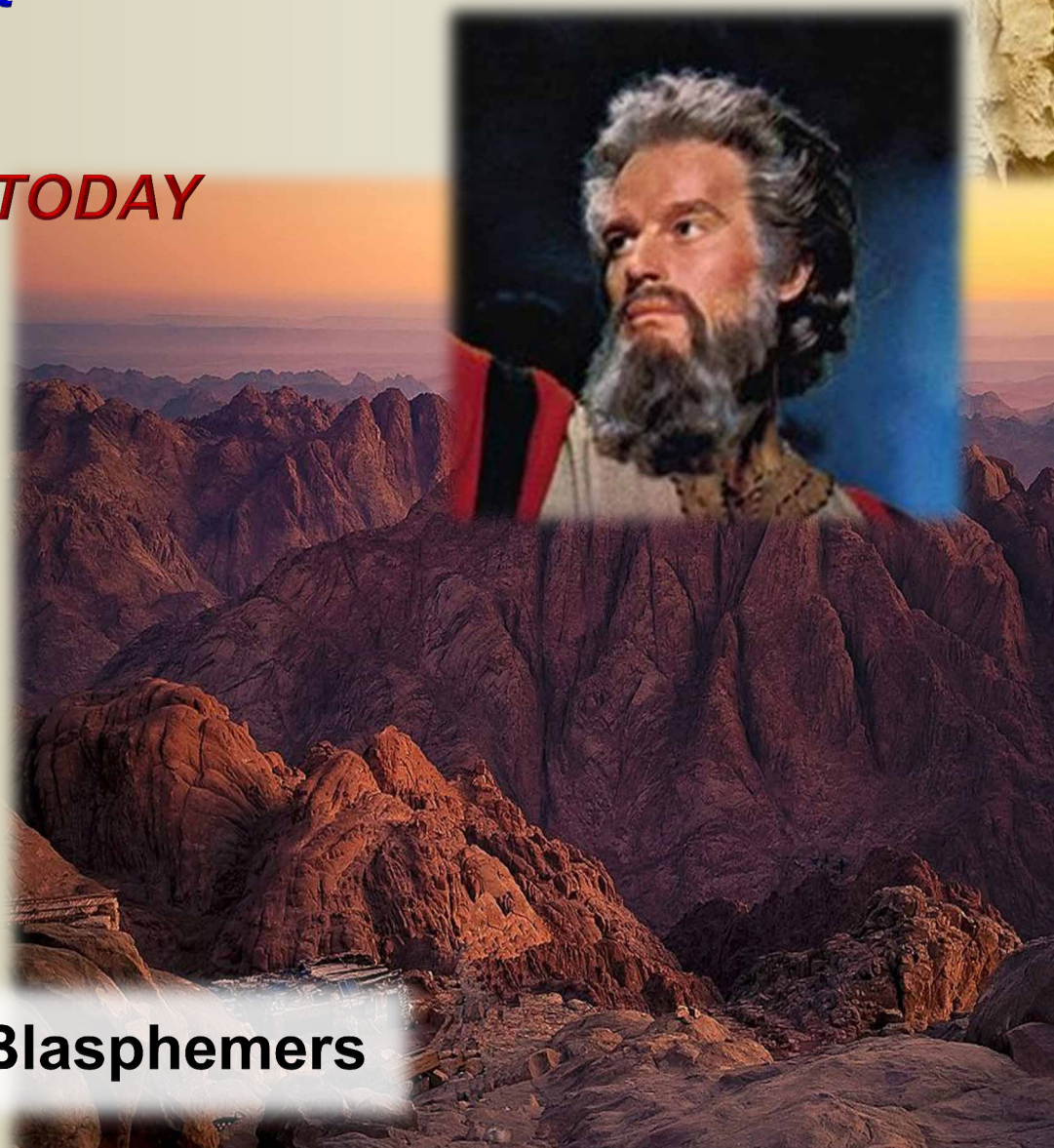
But we do NOT follow Leviticus 26 ...

No Christian TODAY—no sir, no ma'am

✓ **No** Sacrifices, Cleansing

✓ **No** Incense ... ✓ **No** Azazel Goats

✓ **No** Burning People ... ✓ **No** Killing Blasphemers



There is something worse today
a heresy ... a false gospel ...

Perpetuating Profit ... Prosperity Gospel

Believe & Get Rich

Obey ... nah ... JUST HAVE FAITH

You can do ALL THINGS in Christ

Just have FAITH ... *Riches Galore*

Name It ... Claim It ... *“in Jesus Name”*

No Riches ... **Not enough FAITH** ... *too bad*

HERESY ... that sidetracks the best

Obedience in Mind and Heart

Obedience in LOVE for God & Others



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Leviticus ... has been fulfilled in **spite of Israel**

And worse, **Christ RAISED the bar!**

Thought the Levitical Law was **TOUGH?**

Christ said if you **THINK** evil in your heart

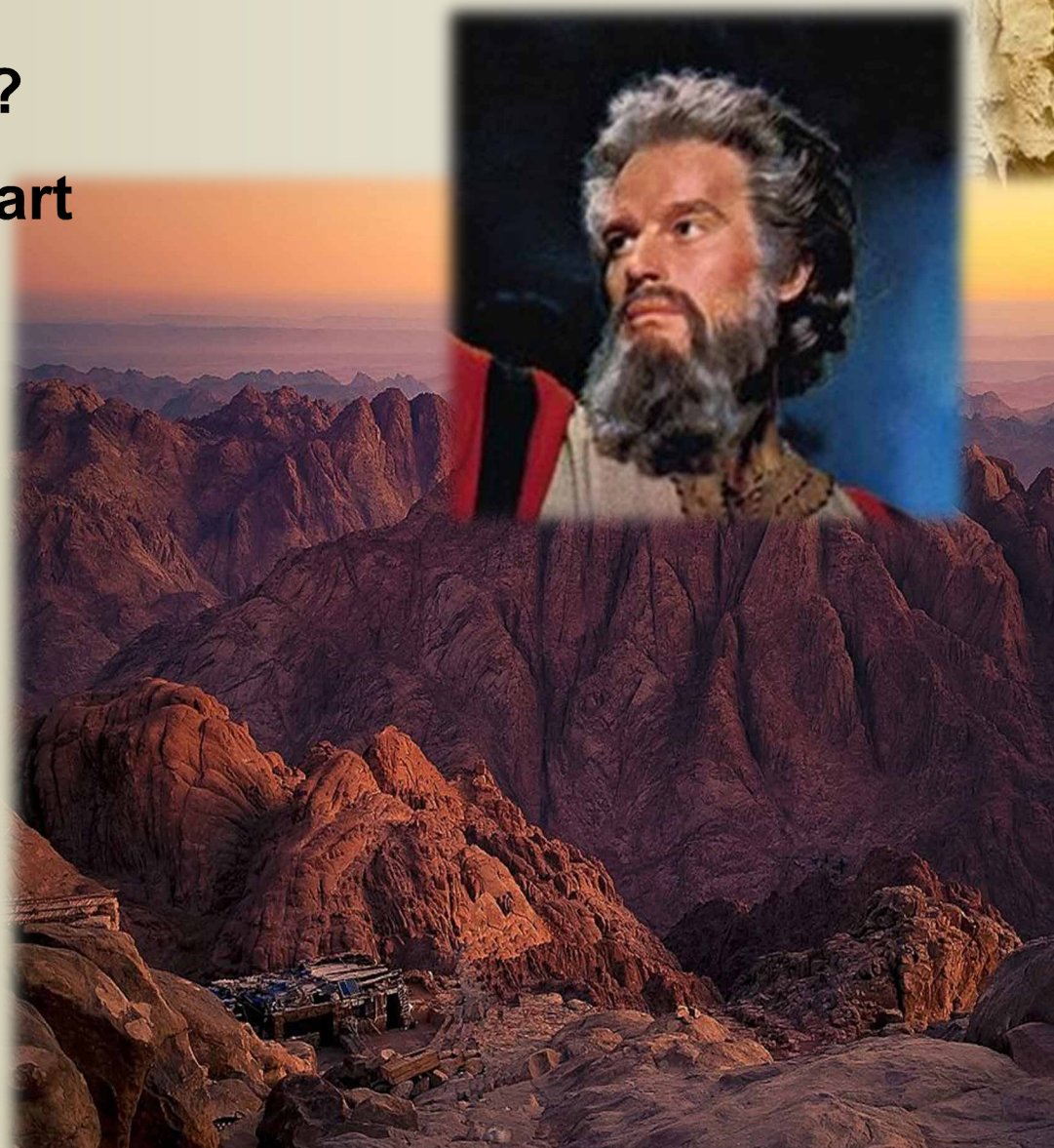
You Are Guilty

How many times did YHWH say
He was **NOT pleased** with goat blood?

But God the Father did say ... *oh yes*

**This is my beloved Son,
in whom I am well *PLEASED***

Matthew 3:17



Yes, yes, we believe Israel's inheritance
as a peculiar, specially chosen people

Inheritance now **TRANSFERRED** to
ALL Believers

Through Christ ...

THE BLESSING

Earned by the **ONLY** one Capable

- ✓ **ONLY** one able to fully **REDEEM**
- ✓ **ONLY** one able to fulfill the **LAW**
- ✓ **ONLY** one able to pay the **PRICE**



Our Obedience NOW is
L e s s to the **LAW**

Our Obedience NOW is
to our **LORD**

Simplified:

1. Love God

2. Love Others



**We have walked a long way ...
often have RUN, *RUN* through
Exodus & Leviticus**

**The Message was
very often very simple**

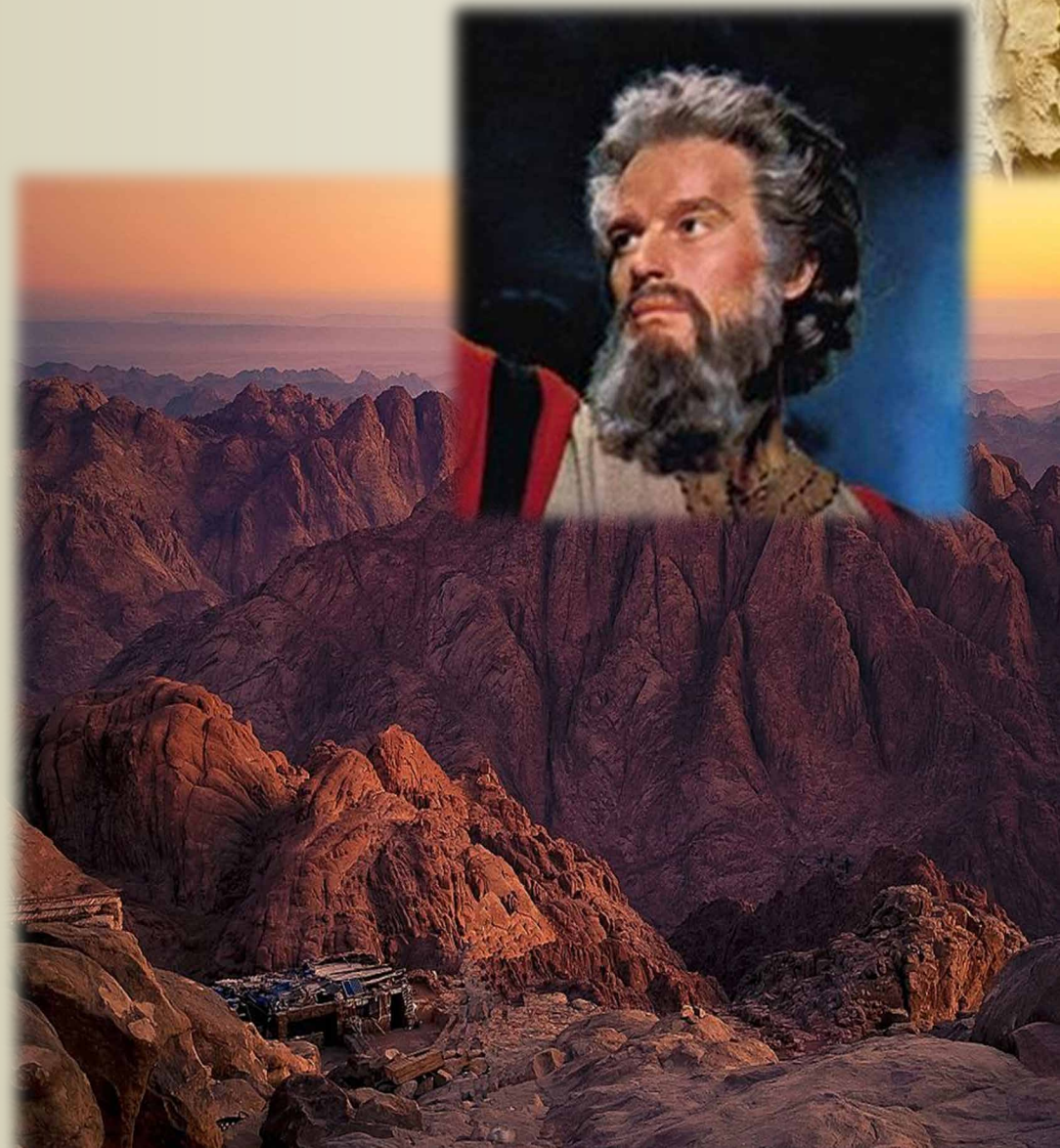
Do & Get

versus

Don't & Die

very clear & very often

Rain or Ruin



**New Testament has clarified MORE
NO ONE has arrived yet ...
Only Christ lived the perfect life
Ladies & Gentlemen ... news is
Standard is HIGH ...**

even Christlike

**Yet, thankfully, there is still
something to hang onto in**

Do & Get

versus

Don't & Die



New Testament the equation
is even simpler!
... wait for it ...

Believe and GET IT ALL

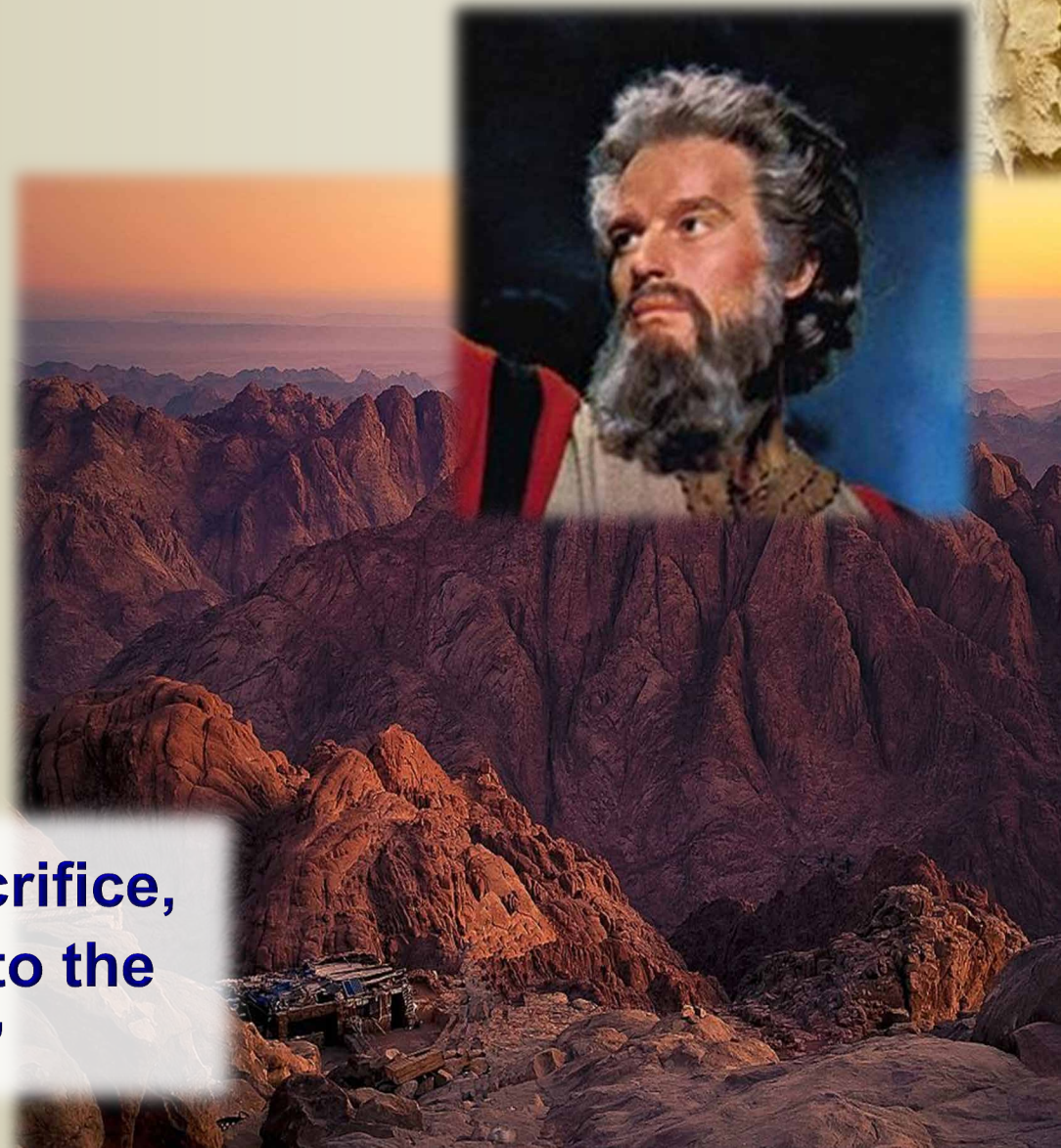
Believe & Get Eternal Life

While on this terrestrial globe ...

While on this side of heaven ...

Our Blessing is a Promise of Life

Quarterly noted, **“Moreover, in His sacrifice,
He provided a way for us to enter into the
blessings of His perfect obedience.”**



Today ...

Obey ... is still Okay

Only today we have MORE
than the mere Mosaic Law

Not just “actions”
but add our **HEART**

LOVE

with ALL Your Mind

Heart & Soul



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