

EXODUS 24 - Meet God

Sermon Outline Handout

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I. Stages of Spirituality (vv. 1–2)

Three groups identified:

- The people (kept back, worship from afar).
- The elders and leaders (draw near, but only partway).
- Moses (alone enters the cloud)

II. Proclamation (vv. 3-8)

Two commitments made publicly:

1. Verbal confession – “All the words the Lord has spoken we will do.”
2. Sacrificial act – blood of covenant binding people to God.

Public confession and sacrifice are essential beginnings—but not enough on their own.

OT pattern: Israel confesses obedience 7 times; breaks covenant 100+ times.

Psalm 51:16–17 → God desires contrite hearts, not empty ritual.

Public commitments (baptism, testimony, church membership) are good—but shallow if not followed by a deeper, private reality with God.

III. Communion (vv. 9–11)

Elders and leaders ascend and see God—a glimpse of His glory.

They eat and drink in His presence → a sign of friendship and communion.

Communion is about shared likeness and common mission with God.

Judges chosen in Exodus 18:21: men who fear God, trustworthy, hate bribes.

Their character enabled deeper communion.

What do I have in common with God? (missions, compassion, devotion to His Word, worship).

Problem: Communion requires a shared purpose. If purpose fades, the relationship wanes.
We should desire more than friendship—union.

IV. Union (vv. 12–16)

Only Moses is invited into the cloud. He enters God’s presence with nothing in between.

Numbers 12:6–8 → Prophets see visions/dreams, but God speaks to Moses “mouth to mouth.”

Why Moses? Scripture answers: humility (Num. 12:3, 6-8).