



## Introduction

*The children of Israel make a covenant with God.*



## Questions

1. What did God promise the children of Israel if they obeyed him?
2. What was the people's response to God's offer?
3. What was it like when God came down on the mountain?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 to 6** The children of Israel move and camp near the foot of Mount Sinai (see map). Moses goes up the mountain where God offers to make them his special people (see theme) if they will obey him
- **v 7 and 8** Moses comes down the mountain and the people agree to do what the LORD has said
- **v 9 to 15** Moses reports to the LORD the people's agreement. The LORD tells Moses to tell the children of Israel how to prepare to see the LORD come down on the mountain in three days' time
- **v 16 to 20** Three days later the mountain is on fire and shakes and a loud trumpet is heard as the LORD descends on the mountain. The LORD tells Moses to come up the mountain
- **v 21 to 25** The LORD tells Moses to warn the people to stay away from the mountain, but he tells Moses to come up the mountain with Aaron

**Timeline** 1500 BC (see below)



## Theme / Information

### Israel - God's chosen people

*A selection of verses showing how this theme runs consistently through the Bible.*

God makes it clear to the early Israelites that they are a chosen people:

*Deuteronomy 14 verse 2*

King Solomon, in his prayer at the dedication of the temple he has built, says about the Israelites:

*1 Kings 8 verse 53*

God tells the prophet Isaiah that the Israelites are special to him:

*Isaiah 44 verse 21*

God gives a similar message to the prophet Jeremiah:

*Jeremiah 46 verses 27 and 28*

The apostle Paul confirms that the Israelites are still God's chosen people:

*Romans 11 verses 1 and 2*



**Wilderness travels - to Sinai**

Map showing the approximate travels of the Israelites to Sinai. Question marks by place names indicate that the location is uncertain.



**? Questions & Answers**

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 5 and 6, Q 2: v 8, Q 3: v 18



# Bible timeline

