

## **Exodus 24**

King James Version (KJV)

**24** And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off. (Not too close) (Nadab = liberal; Abihu = Yah is my father; these are Aaron's two older sons)

**2** And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

**3** And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath said will we do. (They all agreed to do as God asked of them. That won't last long)

**4** And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. (As God instructed the altar to be built)

**5** And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

**6** And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. (This was to signify death)

**7** And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient. (They read the Word of God to the people. This is how God wants us to serve him in prayer and worship)

(In churches today, they have services with rituals, made up by men; where they might read one verse from the Bible during the whole service. The rest of the service is a "sermon" made up by the priest. People attend their whole lives and don't learn anything about what God has to say)

**8** And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words. (Signifying life)

**9** Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

<sup>10</sup> And they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. (They saw God, in person. In this form, He is known as - the angel of the Lord; God in angelic form)

<sup>11</sup> And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink. (It was customary to have a meal in a friendly meeting. Here, they are communing with God, Himself)

<sup>12</sup> And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them. (These were written by the hand of God)

<sup>13</sup> And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God. (Only Moses was allowed to go up; Joshua went up part way)

<sup>14</sup> And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.

(It is unbelievable, as to how they will fail, including Aaron. They just saw God, and yet they won't listen. They will turn to heathenism within the next 40 days)

<sup>15</sup> And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.

<sup>16</sup> And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud. (Patience; Moses obeyed God and waited to be summoned by God)

<sup>17</sup> And the sight of the glory of the LORD was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. (They all saw it from their camp. There should have been no doubt that God was there, as He said He would be)

<sup>18</sup> And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.