

**CRUCIAL ASPECTS OF GOD'S ECONOMY  
PORTRAYED IN EXODUS (3)—REVELATION**

Message Three

**The Testimony of God Revealing Him to His People  
and Infusing His Substance into His Loving Seekers**

Scripture Reading: Exo. 20:1-17; 34:28, 32-35; Psa. 19:7-8; Rom. 7:14; 2 Tim. 3:16; Eph. 6:17-18

**I. The basic concept is that God reveals Himself to His people and thus enables them to know what kind of God He is; He wanted the children of Israel to know what kind of God they were approaching, what kind of God with whom they were having fellowship—Exo. 31:18; Psa. 19:7-8; Exo. 25:21-22; 38:21; Exo. 20:4; Gen. 1:26:**

- A. Concerning the matter of law, there is an important principle: the kind of law a person makes expresses the kind of person that one is; primarily, the law is a testimony which reveals what kind of God the Lord is.
- B. God regards the Ten Commandments, the ten laws, as ten *words*; this expression is a further indication that the law is God's revelation of Himself, since the words a person speaks are a revelation of that person—Deut. 4:13; Exo. 34:28.

**II. As the testimony of God, the law is a portrait or photograph of God, thus, God's intention was to reveal to His chosen and redeemed people what kind of God He is—Exo. 19:3-6, 16-17:**

- A. He is a jealous God—God is jealous, wanting us to love Him and Him alone so we should not allow anything else to be our God—Exo. 20:5; 34:14; Deut. 4:24; Rom. 9:13; 2 Cor. 11:2.
- B. He is a holy God—God is holy, as signified by the Sabbath, so we must have a mark of our separation from everything other than God Himself—Exo. 20:7-11; Lev. 19:2; Matt. 5:48.
- C. He is a loving God—God is loving, showing mercy to thousands of generations of those who love Him, so we as His chosen people should be His lovers—Exo. 20:5-6, 12-14; Matt. 22:37-40; Gal. 5:14; cf. Rom. 13:8-10.
- D. He is a righteous God—God is righteous, visiting the iniquity of His haters upon them up to four generations, so we should practice righteousness as a spontaneous living that issues from the divine life within us—Exo. 20:5-6; 1 John 2:29.
- E. He is a truthful God—God is truthful, for He is light, so we should come to Him for fellowship that we may participate in the divine light and practice the truth—Exo. 20:16; 1 John 1:5-6; John 8:44.
- F. He is a pure God—Only God is pure, without covetousness or uncleanness so we must contact Him in faith that, by the Holy Spirit, He may purify our heart—Exo. 20:17; Col. 3:5; Rom. 7:7-8.

**III. The law is not only a list of divine commandments; it is the living word of God which infuses God's substance into those who lovingly seek Him—John 6:63; 2 Tim. 3:16:**

- A. God had brought His people out of Egypt and had gathered them unto Himself at His mountain to have fellowship with Him; this means that God came down from heaven to earth to have fellowship with His people.
- B. At the very place where God was meeting with His people and where they were contacting Him in fellowship, the law was given:

1. These words were part of the very positive conversation between God and His people; such a conversation was not the decree of certain laws; it was a time of fellowship in which God spoke to His people—Exo. 19:4-6.
  2. The fact that Exodus 20:1 says that “God spoke all these words” shows that the Ten Commandments are God’s words; whenever God speaks, His breath conveys His element into the ones who receive His word—Exo. 20:1; 2 Tim. 3:16.
- C. If we consider the Ten Commandments only as laws and then try to keep them, we are not proper in our approach to the law; we should not apply the Ten Commandments in this way.
- D. The law is spiritual, the same in essence, nature, and substance as God, who is Spirit—Rom. 7:14; John 4:24.
- E. The law as God’s ten words are His breath to convey His element into the ones who receive His words—2 Tim. 3:16:
1. Christ Himself is God’s real and living law, the Word of God, the breath of God, the expression of God.
  2. By pray-reading the Word, we breathe God’s element into us, being infused with what God is to cause us to live Christ and become the living expression of God, His living law—Eph. 6:17-18.
- F. The highest and most intrinsic function of the law as God’s word is to impart God’s substance into us to make us one with God, the same as God in life, nature, and expression but not in the Godhead:
1. While Moses was receiving the law from God, he was being infused with the element of God to cause him to glow with God—Exo. 34:32-35.
  2. When we are infused with God’s substance through His word, we become what He is, and His divine attributes are expressed in our human virtues.
  3. We keep the requirements of the law not by our own efforts but with what has been infused into us of the Lord through our contact with Him; once we have been thoroughly infused with God’s substance, He Himself from within us will keep His own law.

**Focus:**

*The burden of this message is to impress the young people that the law was given because God wanted His people to know what kind of God He is. We also need to be impressed that the words that proceed out from the mouth of God are Spirit and life and are the breath of God. The emphasis is not on keeping the law to be good, but on receiving the Lord’s words to have His element infused into our being to make us the same as He is.*