

# Exodus – The Revealing of God’s Glory and His Design for the Chosen

#48 – A Mountaintop Experience  
Exodus 19:16-25



We are about to read about an extraordinary event not only in history, but also as recorded in **the entire Word of God.**

## **Thunder and lightning**

Phenomena in nature which  
announced the presence of  
Almighty God.

The people “trembled.”

## **Deuteronomy 19:19**

“<sup>19</sup> For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which the Lord was wrathful against you in order to destroy you, but the Lord listened to me that time also.”

## **Hebrews 12:21**

“<sup>21</sup> And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, ‘I AM FULL OF FEAR and trembling.’”

Francis Schaeffer says in  
*The God who is There:*

“He is there and he is not silent.”

## **Deuteronomy 4:11-12**

“<sup>11</sup> You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire to the very heart of the heavens: darkness, cloud and thick gloom. <sup>12</sup> Then the Lord spoke to you from the midst of the fire; you heard the sound of words, but you saw no form — only a voice.”



Is it superfluous?

Now the priests are told  
to take a step back.

A double imperative is used:  
“Go! Go down!”

**The transcendent holiness of  
God is in full bloom through  
the supernatural  
occurrences at Sinai.**

**Breaking and entering  
is always punishable by  
the magistrate.**

**Reflections on dread are  
not a bad thing....**

**...Because it makes the  
gospel sweeter.**