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## The People Sin Against God <sup>1</sup>

*Lesson Text: Exodus 32:1-14*

*Related Scriptures: Acts 7:39-43; Nehemiah 9:16-18;  
Psalms 9:7-10; 106:19-23*

**TIME:** 1445 B.C.

**PLACE:** Mount Sinai

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**GOLDEN TEXT:** *“And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.” (Psalm 9:10 KJV)*

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### *Scripture Lesson Text*

#### **Exodus 24:12-18**

“1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

**2 And Aaron said unto them, break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me.**

3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron.

**4 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, these be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.**

5 And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, Tomorrow is a feast to the Lord.

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<sup>1</sup> Union Gospel Press, Adult Bible Teacher, Fall Quarter, September, October, November 2020; The People Sin Against God, 25 October 2020, page 51

**6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.**

7 And the Lord said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves:

**8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.**

9 And the Lord said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people:

**10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation.**

11 And Moses besought the Lord his God, and said, Lord, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

**12 Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.**

13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it forever.

**14 And the Lord repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.”**

### **Lesson Aim**

**Facts:** To see clearly that sin is offensive to God.

**Principle:** To understand how God responds to the sin of His people.

**Application:** To anticipate God’s response to our own sin and what we need to do about it.

### **Introduction**

When is mentioned as a topic of conversation or debate, reactions vary from brokenhearted guilt to defensive denial. Maybe as we start to study this topic, we should silently go to God in prayer and confess our sin to Him

#### **I. Developing the Lesson**

- a. The people sin as group (Exodus 32:1-6)

- b. The Lord Confronts Moses about Israel's sin (Exodus 32:7-10)
- c. Moses intercedes For Israel (Exodus 32:11-13)
- d. Moses assuages God's wrath (Exodus 32:14)

## **II. Studying the Text**

The Israelites of the Exodus generation were quick to agree to follow the Lord and all He Commanded, but the events in Exodus 32, suggest that their faith was not really in God but in their mortal leader Moses. When he disappeared for a time, they forgot even the most basic of God's commands.

### **a. Israel's Rebellion (Exodus 32:1-6)**

- i. The peoples demand (Exodus 32:1)
- ii. Aaron's capitulation (Exodus 32:2-3)
- iii. The idol and the altar (Exodus 32:4-5)
- iv. The people's worship (Exodus 32:6)

### **b. The Lord's Response (Exodus 32:7-14)**

- i. Informing Moses (Exodus 32:7-8)
- ii. Testing Moses (Exodus 32:9-10)
- iii. Listening to Moses (Exodus 32:11-13)
- iv. Relenting of Judgement (Exodus 32:14)

## **III. Take Aways**

## **IV. Closing Prayer**

### **Daily Bible Readings for Home Study and Worship**

**For: 08 November 2020**

#### *God Confronts the Sin*

**Monday**-Reward for Obedience (**Leviticus 26:1-13**)

**Tuesday**- Punishment for Disobedience (**Leviticus 26:14-39**)

**Wednesday**- Keep the Covenant (**Deuteronomy 29:9-15**)

**Thursday**- Delight in God's Law (**Psalms 1:1-6**)

**Friday**-Walk in God's Way (**Psalms 119:1-8**)

**Saturday**- God's Anger Remembered (**Deuteronomy 9:13-21**)

**Sunday**- The Breaking of the Tablets (**Exodus 32:15-24**)