## **Exodus 20**

## Chapter 20

- <sup>1</sup> AND God spake all these words, saying,
- <sup>2</sup> I *am* the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
- <sup>3</sup> Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- <sup>4</sup> Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth:
- <sup>5</sup> Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me;
- <sup>6</sup> And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- <sup>7</sup> Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
- <sup>8</sup> Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- <sup>9</sup> Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
- <sup>10</sup> But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:

- <sup>11</sup> For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- <sup>12</sup> ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt not kill.
- <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- <sup>15</sup> Thou shalt not steal.
- <sup>16</sup> Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.
- <sup>17</sup> Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbour's.
- $^{18}$  ¶ And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off.
- <sup>19</sup> And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.
- <sup>20</sup> And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.
- <sup>21</sup> And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God *was*.

- <sup>22</sup>¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.
- <sup>23</sup> Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.
- <sup>24</sup>¶ An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.

  <sup>25</sup> And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not
- build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.
- <sup>26</sup> Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.