

THE MOSAIC COVENANT: PRESERVATION OF THE POPULATION

Selected Passages in Exodus 19–24

People will go to great lengths to protect what's important to them. It could be their family, their online privacy, a dream car, an endangered species, or a stamp collection. It really doesn't matter *what* it is just that it's *important* and worthy of securing with diligence, care, and thoughtfulness. People protect what's important to them. And so does God. After sin came into the world God began a restoration project to rebuild what had been lost. He swore to never again flood the world (Gen 9), thus establishing a predictable foundation on top of which he could build. He then promised a particular location for a specific population, a group through whom he would bring global benediction (Gen 12–22). But, for that to happen, this population needed to be preserved against the dangers of deviation, corruption, capitulation, and eradication. This restoration project is important to God, and so he goes to great lengths to protect it.

Question 1: What is the Mosaic covenant?

- Its context
- Its purpose 19:1–6
- Its nature 19:5, 7–8
- Its preparation 19:10–11, 16–19
- Its content 20:1–23:33
- Its ratification 24:1–8

Question 2: Where does the Mosaic covenant fit?

Question 3: Why does the Mosaic covenant matter?

- We're not Israel
- God is awesome