

1 – LESSON #48: Moses part 14 from Exodus 32

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Narrator #1: At the top of Mt. Sinai, our **Almighty God** spent 40 days teaching Moses all the laws and rules to teach the Children of Israel.

Narrator #2: **God** also gave Moses two stone tablets listing the **10 Commandments**.

Narrator #1: Sadly, in the valley below, most of the Children of Israel were busy breaking the first 2 of the **10 Commandments**.

Narrator #2: The Chant Leaders had tried and failed to stop them by reminding them of God's words, which they had all heard not that long ago.

CHANT LEADER #1: Obey God's 1st commandment.
(Group Repeats)

CHANT LEADER #2: God told us only to worship Him!
(Group Repeats)

CHANT LEADER #1: Obey God's 2nd commandment.
(Group Repeats)

(Group Repeats)

CHANT LEADER #2: God told us not to worship idols.

Narrator #1: But the Ringleaders, those noisy troublemakers, led many of the people into rebelling against those two commandments.

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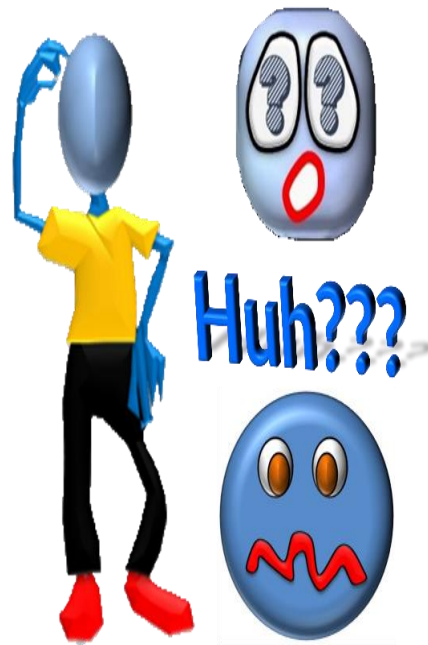
RINGLEADER #1: We want a god we can see and touch!
(Group Repeats)

RINGLEADER #2: Make us a god to worship.
(Group Repeats)

Narrator #2: So, Aaron took up a collection of gold earrings. He melted the gold and created a golden calf.

Narrator #1: Did the Ringleaders really believe it was true that it was the golden calf, that false god, that led them out of Egypt and parted the Red Sea?

Narrator #2: Did the people actually believe that it was this false god, a calf made of gold, who caused that sweet Manna bread to rain down every morning?



Narrator #1: That sounds ridiculous! Perhaps they were looking to mimic the Egyptians, who ate, drank, and partied while worshipping their false gods.

Narrator #2: Meanwhile, on the top of the mountain, **God** said this to Moses.



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God

Father God: Quick, Moses! Go down the mountain! Your people whom you brought from the land of Egypt have corrupted themselves.

MOSES: Oh, no! What did they do, Lord?

God

Father God: They have melted down gold and made a calf, and they have bowed down and sacrificed to it. They are even telling each other that it was this false god, instead of Me, the one and only God, that created all the miracles they have witnessed.

MOSES: Oh, no! What will happen now?

God

Father God: I have seen how stubborn and rebellious these people are. Now leave me alone so my fierce anger can blaze against them, and I will destroy them. Then I will make you, Moses, into a great nation.

Narrator #1: But Moses tried to pacify the Lord his God. Moses pleaded:

MOSES: Oh, Lord! Please do not be so angry. Please change your mind about this terrible disaster you have threatened against your people. Remember the promise you made to your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that they would have as many descendants as the stars of heaven, who would later inherit the Promised Land of Canaan.

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Narrator #2: So, the **Lord** changed his mind about the terrible disaster he had threatened to bring on His people.

Narrator #1: Then Moses descended the mountain, carrying the two stone tablets inscribed with the **10 Commandments**.

Narrator #2: Moses burned with anger when he saw the people shouting and dancing around the golden calf.

Narrator #1: Moses threw the stone tablets to the ground, smashing them at the foot of the mountain.

Narrator #2: Moses took the golden calf that Aaron had made and burned it in the fire.

Narrator #1: Moses ground that gold into powder, threw it in the water, and forced the people to drink it.

Narrator #2: As you can see, Moses was mad, **mad, MAD!** He then turned to his older brother, Aaron, and asked:

MOSES: Aaron, what did these people do to you to make you bring such terrible sin upon them?

AARON: Don't get so upset, my lord. You yourself know how evil these people are. They said to me, **'Make us gods who will lead us. We don't know what happened to this fellow Moses, who brought us here from the land of Egypt.'** So I told them, **'Whoever has gold jewelry, take it off.'** When they brought it to me, I threw it into the fire—and out came this calf!

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Narrator #1: Moses saw that Aaron had let the people get completely out of control, much to the amusement of their enemies. Moses announced:

MOSES: All of you who are on the Lord's side, come here and join me.

Narrator #2: Aaron, his 4 sons, and all the Levites, the descendants of Levi, quickly gathered around Moses.

Narrator #1: As for the rest of the people, the **Lord** sent a great plague because they had worshiped the calf Aaron had made.

Narrator #2: Many people got sick. Some even died.

Narrator #1: We can imagine that the Ringleaders, if they survived, realized that it is not a good idea to rebel against the **Lord our God**.

Narrator #2: END OF SKIT. Let's give our volunteers a great big hand!