

# The Facilitator

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Community Groups @ Trinity Presbyterian Church

3/17/19

**Text: Exodus 19:1-8, 16-21; 20:18-21**

**Title: Mount Sinai: A Call to Worship**

**Teacher: David Springer**

## **Surrender through Prayer:**

*Surrender through prayers for Illumination and Transformation, asking that Jesus would meet with you in this time.*

## **Engage with the Sermon**

*Read the passage together*

***As David showed us this morning in Exodus 19, having been brought out of Egypt and into the wilderness, and witnessed God showing His power and authority, Israel now finds themselves at the foot of Mt. Sinai as God's presence descends on the mountain. Like living at the foot of an active volcano, the people are warned against the danger of coming too close to God's presence, and yet, God desires that they would worship Him. In their brokenness and sin God's people will fail time and again to worship Him as He deserves and Moses is limited in His ability to mediate between God and the people. But the beauty of the Gospel is that Jesus became the better mediator, the better Moses, for God's people, so that through His life, death and resurrection, God's people could come fully into His presence and experience both the wonder of God's ultimate power, alongside the humility and mercy of God's intimate presence with His people. It is in light of this that we can worship God and declare His worth and value in every area of our lives.***

## **Reflection Questions:**

1. *David said we often approach suffering asking, "How quickly can I get out of this?", rather than asking, "How much can I get out of this?" But God brings us through suffering to give us more of Himself, and we suffer with hope, which allows us to worship.*
  - ***How do you typically deal with suffering? What does your worship look like in the midst of it?***
  - ***How has God used suffering to bring you closer to Him?***
2. *God is Ultimate: Just as we see in all of his creation, living in the shadow of God's mountain, the people could see how powerful and mighty He was.*
  - ***When have you been amazed by God's power?***
  - ***What things in life or creation draw you to see His power and your smallness?***
3. *God is Intimate: Because of Christ we not only worship an ultimate and powerful God, we worship one who is intimately involved in every area of our lives and has invited us to truly know Him.*
  - ***Why is it so important that God is not just Ultimate, but also Intimate?***
  - ***Ultimate or Intimate: which do you need God to reveal more of in your life?***

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## **WORSHIP AND PRAYER:**

### **A.C.T.S.**

*(Spend time in prayer and worship as you consider Adoring God the Father, Confessing your sin and weakness, giving thanks to Jesus, and asking Holy Spirit to transform you. Use this as a time to talk to God about what's been revealed in your heart from this sermon.)*

**1. ADORATION** *(The Father)*

***Adore and Worship God for His attributes and actions***

**2. CONFESSION** *(Me)*

***Spend time Confessing sin and ways in which you are finite and limited***

**3. THANKSGIVING** *(Jesus)*

***Give thanks to Jesus for his salvation (past, present, future)***

**4. SUPPLICATION** *(Holy Spirit)*

***Ask Holy Spirit to transform you in specific ways***

**5. Prepare for Gospel Community** *(My Neighbor)*

***Pray for those who are on your heart, that God would use you to impact them with His gospel message.***

### **Prayer Items**

- 1. Worship the LORD and fix your eyes on Him, because He is both Ultimate and Intimate!*
- 2. In what ways have you forgotten to behold the glory of God? In what ways have you turned a deaf ear to His Word?*
- 3. Give thanks to God because He has delivered us. He has provided a way for us to enter His presence, through His Son Jesus.*
- 4. Is your life marked by a pursuit of holiness? In what areas of your life are you turning a deaf ear to the law?*
- 5. Ask that God would reveal more of Himself to you. Ask that He would help you obey His Word and proclaim it to others.*