

EXODUS - JOSHUA

JOURNEY INTO FREEDOM



2016-2017

God Comes Down

Ex. 19:1-20:21

Lamplighters Women's Bible Study
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Announcements

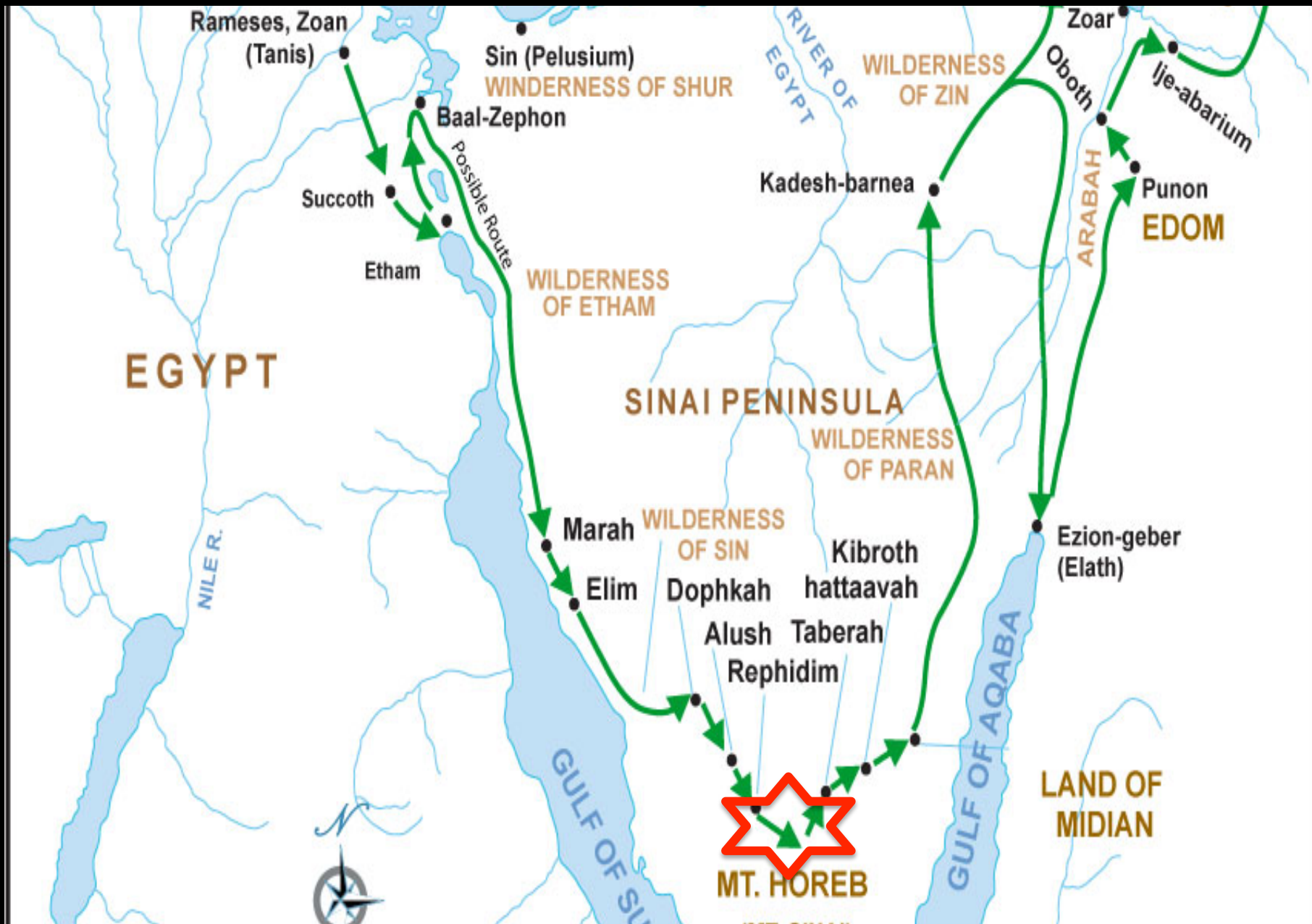
Welcome to our new friends joining us!

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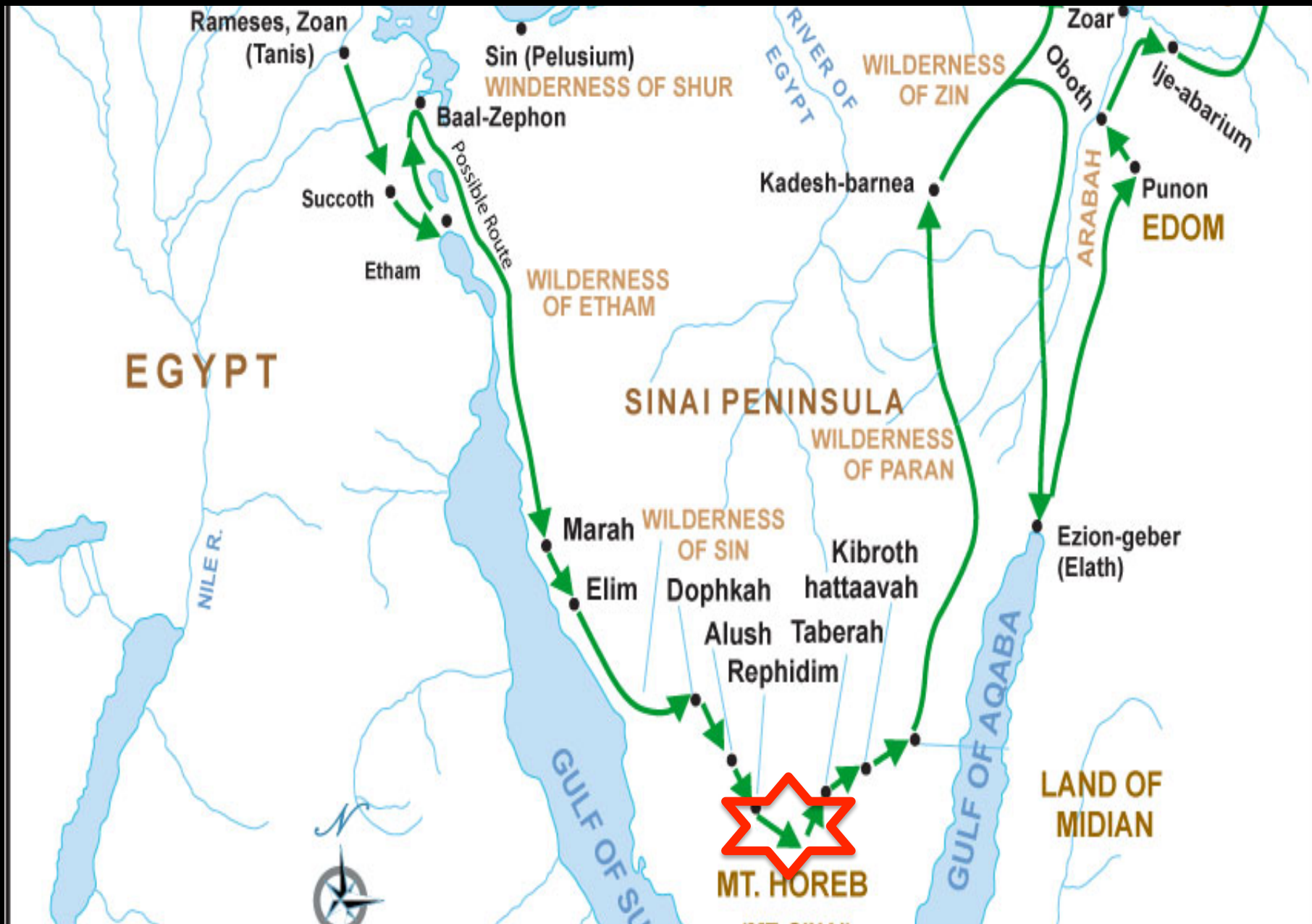
Review

Thunder, Lightning, Smoke and Fire Ex. 19:1-25

The Ten Commandments Ex. 20:1-17

The Two Responses Ex. 20:18-21





Exodus

Chapters 1 – 18

the Exodus

Chapter 19

the transition

Chapters 20 – 40

the giving of the Law

- a. moral and civil law—how to live w/ each other and as a nation
- b. ceremonial law—how to worship



The Law is:

- A reflection of God's character
- A gracious gift
- A compelling vision of who we are to be from God's perspective, based on God's character
- Designed for our flourishing

"10 sign-posts on the way to freedom"

--Craig Barnes



What “nest” is God making uncomfortable for
you?

How is He encouraging you to grow and mature?





How big is your God?

How are you prepared to meet Him?



The Ten Commandments

1-4—love God

5—family

6-10—love others



Heart Attitudes

Summarize:

trust only God

worship only God

honor God's name

acknowledge God and His sacred rhythm

honor your father and mother

honor life

honor marriage

honor other people's property

honor the truth

trust God to provide and be satisfied



What is my life advertising?

What does it mean to obey these commandments in everyday life? Which one is the most difficult for you?

How have God's commandments been a gift of grace to you?



Two Responses

1. Remain at a distance—paralyzing fear
2. Approach the thick darkness—fear of the Lord



Which fear rules your life?



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Theophany on Mt. Sinai—God’s holiness and “otherness”

Theophany in the cradle—God’s nearness and understanding

Immanuel—God with us

We can come near to Him

because He has come near to us.

