

**RIVERSIDE ANGLICAN CHURCHES**  
**QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AND REFLECTION**

**Exodus 19**

1. What are the barriers for you being ready to meet with God on a Sunday?

**Read Exodus 19:1-3.**

2. What feelings and expectations do you think the people and Moses would have at this point? After you've discussed this a little, also read Exodus 3:12 and discuss what this would mean for Moses.

**Read Exodus 19:4-8**

3. What is the relationship between what God has done for the people and what they need to do? What comes first? Is this any different now for Christians?
4. When the people respond positively, do you think they know what they are in for? What might they be expecting they are agreeing to?

**Read 19:9-15**

5. What does God require from the people to be ready for his arrival? Why does God give requirements at all? What do you think these particular requirements were intended to teach about God? Does God have requirements now for when people meet with him?
6. The requirements that God gives are all physical in this chapter. Does that mean "our Sunday best" has a biblical justification? Why/why not?
7. In verse 5 and verse 9, there is an emphasis on listening to God's voice – that God's speech is the purpose of his arrival. How is this reflected in our church services? How is this reflected in the way you meet with God day by day?
8. Read verses 12-13 again. Why does the transgressor need to be killed at a distance?

**Read 19:16-20**

9. How is this a different experience of God for the people compared to the plagues, the rescue from Egypt, and their wilderness wanderings?
10. It is tempting to wish we were there and shared this experience. What do you think is different for a Christian meeting God now? What is the same?
11. **Read Hebrews 12:18-24.** It highlights the privileges Christians enjoy in contrast to the people of Israel in Exodus 19. Spend the rest of your time brainstorming how you can be better prepared to make the most of this privilege. Discuss also how you can help others.