

THE STORY OF GOD: THE OLD AND NEW COVENANTS

JEREMIAH 31:31-34 — JAN 10, 2010

What did the Law call Israel to do?

Exo 20:2 — to see from God's deliverance of them from Egypt how

God loves
God forgives
God guides
God provides
God satisfies

Exo 20:3 — to rely on God alone to love, forgive, guide, provide, and satisfy them.

How did Israel respond?

Exo 32:1 — Israel turned their backs on God and made a golden calf to be their god.

Neh 9:23-29 — this was Israel's response throughout their history

God purposefully allowed this to happen so we would learn the truth of our sinfulness.

Just like Israel, we turned from God because we wanted to be independent and self-sufficient.

How can anyone be saved?

Israel's hearts did not want God. So how can God save people who don't want Him?

Eze 36:25-27

Jer 31:31-34

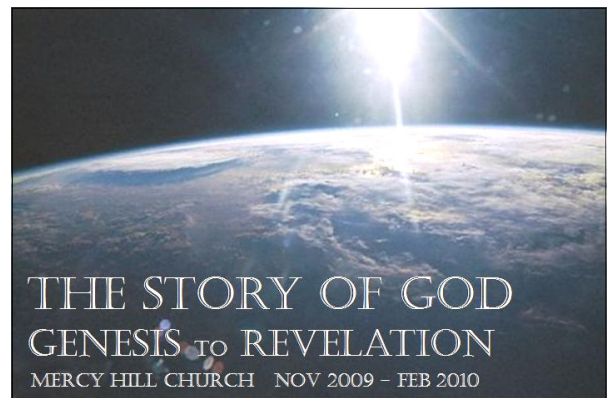
What does this mean for us?

Humble yourself before God's astonishing mercy.

Call upon God to change your heart.

Be bold in sharing the gospel.

Rely on Jesus to love, forgive, guide, provide for,
and satisfy you.



HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

Before this last Sunday, what was your impression of the Old Testament Law? Did Sunday's teaching change your impression? Why or why not?

Which of the five truths of God revealed through the Exodus are most crucial to you tonight — His love, forgiveness, guidance, provision, or heart-satisfaction? Why?

Do you agree that we've all been as wicked as Israel? Why or why not?

Does it make sense that you would never have chosen to trust Christ unless God had changed your heart? Why or why not?

What's your take-away from this message? What are you going to do differently? When? How?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

