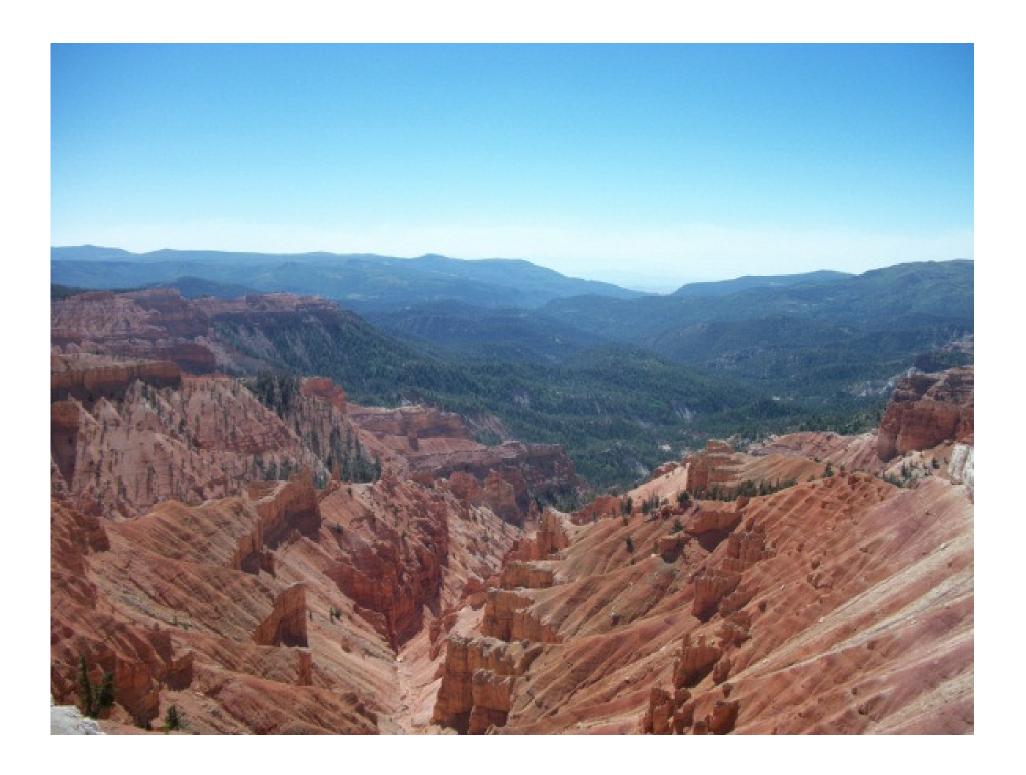
Exodus – The Revealing of God's Glory and His Design for the Chosen

#48 – A Mountaintop Experience Exodus 19:16-25



We are about to read about an extraordinary event not only in history, but also as recorded in the entire Word of God.

Thunder and lightning

Phenomena in nature which announced the presence of Almighty God.

The people "trembled."

Deuteronomy 19:19

"¹⁹ For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which the Lord was wrathful against you in order to destroy you, but the Lord listened to me that time also."

Hebrews 12:21

"21 And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, 'I AM FULL OF FEAR and trembling."

Francis Schaeffer says in *The God who is There:*

"He is there and he is not silent."

Deuteronomy 4:11-12

"11 You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire to the very heart of the heavens: darkness, cloud and thick gloom. ¹² Then the Lord spoke to you from the midst of the fire; you heard the sound of words, but you saw no form only a voice."

Is it superfluous?

Now the priests are told to take a step back.

A double imperative is used: "Go! Go down!"

The transcendent holiness of God is in full bloom through the supernatural occurrences at Sinai.

Breaking and entering is always punishable by the magistrate.

Reflections on dread are not a bad thing....

...Because it makes the gospel sweeter.