

## THE HEART OF THE COVENANT

*Deuteronomy 5:1-33 // November 7, 2021 PM*

- I. The Mosaic covenant is gracious in its initiation (vv. 1-5).
  
- II. The Mosaic covenant is gracious in its legislation (vv. 6-21).
  
- III. The Mosaic covenant is gracious in its mediation (vv. 22-33).

### QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. Why is it so surprising that God is taking Israel to be His people and entering into a covenant relationship with them? Is this a gracious covenant or a legal covenant?
2. Why is it important to distinguish between the moral law and the covenant of works? Can God give His law to us without it being a way of earning His blessing?
3. What are some indications that the Decalogue is special, unlike all the other laws given through Moses?
4. Who is the mediator of the old covenant? What does God's provision of a mediator tell us about the nature of this covenant?
5. Did God intend for the old covenant to continue for all time? Why was it ultimately destined to fail and what/who did it point forward to?

### QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. How do I view the law? Do I tend to view it apart from Christ's mediation, justifying blood, and sanctifying power? How does the gospel transform my relation to God's law?
2. Do I sense my need of a Mediator like Israel did?