

Sinai: A Conversion Primer

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Exodus 24:3. So Moses came and told the people all the words of the L-rd and all the ordinances, and all the people answered in unison and said, "All the words that the L-rd has spoken we will do." 4. And Moses wrote all the words of the L-rd, and he arose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain and twelve monuments for the twelve tribes of Israel. 5. And he sent the youths of the children of Israel, and they offered up burnt offerings, and they slaughtered peace offerings to the L-rd, bulls. 6. And Moses took half the blood and put it into the basins, and half the blood he cast onto the altar. 7. And he took the Book of the Covenant and read it within the hearing of the people, and they said, "All that the L-rd spoke we will do and we will hear." 8. And Moses took the blood and sprinkled [it] on the people, and he said, "Behold the blood of the covenant, which the L-rd has formed with you concerning these words."

Exodus 19: 7. Moses came and summoned the elders of Israel and placed before them all these words that the L-rd had commanded him. 8. And all the people replied in unison and said, "All that the L-rd has spoken we shall do!" and Moses took the words of the people back to the L-rd. 9. And the L-rd said to Moses, "Behold, I am coming to you in the thickness of the cloud, in order that the people hear when I speak to you, and they will also believe in you forever." And Moses relayed the words of the people to the L-rd. 10. And the L-rd said to Moses, "Go to the people and prepare them today and tomorrow, and they shall wash their garments. 11. And they shall be prepared for the third day, for on the third day, the L-rd will descend before the eyes of all the people upon Mount Sinai.

Additional Resources: Talmud, Kritot 9a
Maimonides, Laws of Forbidden Relationships Ch. 13-14
Code of Jewish Law, Yoreh Deah 268

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