

THE TWO MOUNTAINS OF LAW AND GRACE

Hebrews 12:18-24

- I. MOUNT SINAI – FEARING GOD’S HOLINESS:
THE OLD COVENANT OF LAW CAME WITH DREADFUL WARNINGS (HEBREWS 12:18-21).
 - A. God displayed His terrifying power when He revealed His law (18-20; Exodus 19:10-25; 20:18-21; Deuteronomy 4:10-24).
 - People warned to stay away (Ex. 19:9-13; 19:13).
 - A divine trumpet and God’s voice (Ex. 19:19; 20:19).
 - B. When God appeared, even Moses was terrified (21; Deut. 9:19).

- II. MOUNT ZION – ENJOYING GOD’S GRACE: THE NEW COVENANT OF GRACE BRINGS JOY IN GOD’S PRESENCE FOREVER (HEBREWS 12:22-24).
 - A. In Christ we have full access to God now (22a; 4:16; 10:19-22).
 - B. In Christ we will enjoy heaven forever with angels and all named in the book of life (22b-23a; Rev. 20:15; 21:27; 22:17).
 - C. In heaven we are with God the Judge but not judged (23b).
 - D. In heaven we are with Old Testament believers (23c; 11:40).
 - E. In heaven we meet Jesus, mediator of the New Covenant of grace, unlike the old covenant (24; 11:4; Gen. 4:10; Galatians 5)!

