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"Lessons from Exodus 19:21-25: Moses and Mt. Sinai" (Class)

• Ex 19:21-25 – God tells Moses to go tell the people what Moses says they already knew

- Lessons we can learn from why God's message to the people needed to be repeated
 - 2 Peter 12:1 repetition is important
 - John 14 people need to be reminded
 - Deut 4:9ff people remember something dramatic
 - We should want to pass down what we learned (to children, neighbors, etc.)
 - John 21:20-23 people sometimes don't understand, or have a lack of understanding/not paid attention to detail (cf. disciples concerned about the leaven of the Pharisees, thinking about actual bread)
 - We see God's patience, mercy, grace in telling the people again, not the "I already told them once" attitude (cf. Rom 5; 2 Peter 3:9)
 - James 1:21-23 we should not just be hearers of the word, but doers
 - When we're doing the right thing, we don't need to be reminded. When we are, we are confident that and know we're already doing it.
 - Continual study encourages us not to stray off the path and always continue doing God's word, not fall away