

Pastor Kris Beckert July 10, 2016 Road Signs on the Road Trip Exodus 19:1-20:17

Have you ever gotten lost on a road trip?

## Road Signs that mark a journey with Christ:

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Exodus 19:1-4 On the first day of the third month after the Israelites left Egypt—on that very day—they came to the Desert of Sinai. 2 After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain. 3 Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, "This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: 4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.

- v.4 Eagle imagery -
  - Deut 32:10-12
  - Nest -
  - Flight -
  - Falling/Carrying -

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Exodus 19:5-6, 9-11 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites."... 10 And the Lord said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow. Have them wash their clothes 11 and be ready by the third day, because on that day the Lord will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people..."

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Exodus 20:1-17 And God spoke all these words: 2 "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. 3 "You shall have no other gods before me. 4 "You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below... 7 "You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. 8 "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy... 12 "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you. 13 "You shall not murder. 14 "You shall not commit adultery. 15 "You shall not steal. 16 "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. 17 "You shall not covet... anything that belongs to your neighbor."

• The Ten Commandments are:

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•	Jesus' Version: "Love and love					
	1. Way of living out relationship					
	2. Way of recognizing we can't do it alone					

## **Point:**

## **Doggy Bag:** Something to take home and chew on!

3. Prepared the way for

- What have been the mile markers in your journey with Christ?
  Where are you in the eagle story?
- 2. How have you grown in your faith since this time last year? Have others pointed that out to you?
- 3. How would seeing yourself as being "set apart by God for His purpose" affect how you handle disagreements? Interact with colleagues or fellow students?
- 4. Do people recognize you're different from what they would expect of someone your age/life circumstance/profession?
- 5. How does the idea that acts of love and obedience come FROM our relationship with Christ rather than EARN that relationship change your motivation to help others? Do your job well? Extend grace?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially about your relationship with Christ, please email Pastor Kris (krisbeckert@thevineva.org).

