

# Children's House Church - Bible Study



Unit 5 | Session 3

## THE PEOPLE WORSHIPED A GOLDEN CALF

### **Bible Story: Exodus 32**

#### **Read Together: Exodus 32:1-14**

Moses was on Mount Sinai for 40 days and 40 nights. The Israelites at the bottom of the mountain were getting impatient.

The Israelites went to Moses' brother, Aaron. "Make us a god to lead us," they said. So Aaron collected gold from the people and made a statue of a calf that they could worship.

God saw what the people were doing, and He was angry. Moses said, "Remember the great promise You made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. So God did not destroy them.

Moses went down the mountain and saw that the people were dancing before the golden calf! He threw down the stone tablets (The Ten Commandments). Then he destroyed the golden calf.

The next day, Moses went back up the mountain to talk to God. "Please forgive their sin."

God told Moses to return to the people and lead them. "When the time comes, I will punish them for their sin," God said.

God continued to meet with Moses and give him laws and instructions.

God came down in a cloud. He said, "The Lord is a compassionate and gracious God ... but He will not leave the guilty unpunished."

Moses bowed down and worshiped God.

## [ The Story of the Gospel ]

The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

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Share the 3 questions below for House Church Bible Study Time.

Q1. What does this story teach us about God?

Q2. What did Moses do for the Israelites?

Q3. What can you do next week as God's mediator?

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## [ Message Summary ]

### **"We are God's mediator"**

1. God's mediator reflects God's love
2. God's mediator lives to do what is righteous and just
3. God's mediator brings people to God

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Write a prayer to God, praising God for his holiness and thanking Him for sending His Son to save us from our sin.

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## **READ TOGETHER: CHRIST CONNECTION**

Moses acted as the people's mediator, standing for them before God. Moses could not do anything to make up for their sin, but we have a better Mediator—Jesus. Jesus paid for our sin on the cross and stands for us before God. When we trust in Jesus, our sins are forgiven.