

# Table Talk

SPIRITUAL CONVERSATION STARTERS FOR YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Exodus 19:1-20:21

## Grace First, Then Obedience

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### r For Younger Kids:

- 1. Have you ever been chosen for something special, like a team or a part in a play? Did you know God chose His people to be special too?
- 2. God helped the Israelites before He gave them rules. Why do you think God helped them first?
- 3. What's one rule that helps you love others better? Why do you think God gives us rules?

#### For Older Kids & Preteens:

- 1. God told Israel they would be His "treasured possession." What do you think it means to be treasured by God?
- 2. God rescued His people first, then gave them the Ten Commandments. Why is it important to remember that God saves us before we obey?
- 3. Some people try to earn God's love by being good.

  What's the difference between obeying to earn love and obeying because we are loved?

## For Teens & Adults:

- The order matters: rescue → obedience → blessing.
   Why do people often reverse this and try to earn God's favor through works?
- 2. What does it mean for your family to be a "holy nation" or "kingdom of priests" today? How can you reflect God's character to others?
- 3. God spoke directly and powerfully from the mountain.
  How do we hear from God today—and how should we respond?
- 4. The people were afraid at Sinai, but God was drawing them into relationship. How do reverence and intimacy with God go together?

## Family Challenge:

As a family, read 1 Peter 2:9 and reflect on your identity in Christ:

- What does it mean that we are chosen and set apart?
- How can we live like "God's special possession" this week?

Then, write a family declaration (like Israel's "We will do everything the Lord has said")—one sentence that expresses your family's desire to follow God together.