

Story 54-55: Moses Leads the Israelites to Mt. Sinai

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Read this story in the Bible in Exodus 15:22 – 20:26

Words to Know

travel – go from one place to another

nation – organized group of people with a government

Questions

1. To what place was God leading the Israelites?
2. At what special place did the Israelites stop? What had happened there before?
3. What was God going to do with the descendants of Abraham?
4. How long would Moses be there to lead the people?
5. Why did God give the people laws to follow?
6. Where did Moses go to receive the laws from God?
7. How did the people know the laws were from God?
8. How long does God want people to obey his laws?

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