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3 Neither shalt thou favour a poor man in judgment.

- 4 If thou meet thy enemy's ox or ass going astray, bring it back to him.
- **5** If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lie underneath his burden, thou shalt not pass by, but shalt lift him up with him.
- **6** Thou shalt not go aside in the poor man's judgment.
- 7 Thou shalt fly Iying. The innocent and just person thou shalt not put to death: because I abhor the wicked.
- 8 Neither shalt thou take bribes, which even blind the wise, and pervert the words of the just.
- **9** Thou shalt not molest a stranger, for you know the hearts of strangers: for you also were strangers in the land of Egypt.
- 10 Six years thou shalt sow thy ground, and shalt gather the corn thereof.
- 11 But the seventh year thou shalt let it alone, and suffer it to rest, that the poor of thy people may eat, and whatsoever shall be left, let the beasts of the field eat it: so shalt thou do with thy vineyard and thy oliveyard.
- 12 Six days thou shalt work: the seventh day thou shalt cease, that thy ox and thy ass may rest: and the son of thy handmaid and the stranger may be refreshed.
- 13 Keep all things that I have said to you. And by the name of strange gods you shall not swear, neither shall it be heard out of your mouth.
- 14 Three times every year you shall celebrate feasts to me.
- 15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread. Seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month of new corn, when thou didst come forth out of Egypt: thou shalt not appear empty before me.

- 16 And the feast of the harvest of the first-fruits of thy work, whatsoever thou hast sown in the field. The feast also in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in all thy corn out of the field.
- 17 Thrice a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God.
- 18 Thou shalt not sacrifice the blood of my victim upon leaven, neither shall the fat of my solemnity remain until the morning.
- 19 Thou shalt carry the first-fruits of the corn of thy ground to the house of the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not boil a kid in the milk of his dam.
- 20 Behold I will send my angel, who shall go before thee, and keep thee in thy journey, and bring thee into the place that I have prepared.
- 21 Take notice of him, and hear his voice, and do not think him one to be contemned: for he will not forgive when thou hast sinned, and my name is in him.
- 22 But if thou wilt hear hi voice, and do all that I speak, I will be an enemy to thy enemies, and will afflict them that afflict thee.
- 23 And my angel shall go before thee, and shall bring thee in unto the Amorrhite, and the Hethite, and the Pherexite, and the Chanaanite, and the Hevite, and the Jebuzite, whom I will destroy.
- 24 Thou shalt not adore their gods, nor serve them. Thou shalt not do their works, but shalt destroy them, and break their statues.
- 25 And you shall serve the Lord your God, that I may bless your bread and your waters, and may take away sickness from the midst of thee.
- 26 There shall not be one fruitless nor barren in thy land: I will fill the number of thy days.
- 27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come: and will turn the backs of all thy enemies before

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28 Sending out hornets before, that shall drive away the Hevite, and the Chanaanite, and the Hethite, before thou come in.

- 29 I will not cast them out from thy face in one year; lest the land be brought into a wilderness, and the beasts multiply against thee.
- **30** By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, till thou be increased, and dost possess the land.
- 31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red Sea to the sea of the Palestines, and from the desert to the river: I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hands, and will drive them out from before you.
- **32** Thou shalt not enter into league with them, nor with their gods.
- 33 Let them not dwell in thy land, lest perhaps they make thee sin against me, if thou serve their gods; which, undoubtedly, will be a scandal to thee.

Chapter 24

And he said to Moses: Come up to the Lord, thou, and Aaron, Nadab and Abiu, and seventy of the ancients of Israel, and you shall adore afar off.

- **2** And Moses alone shall come up to the Lord, but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people come up with him.
- **3** So Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice: We will do all the words of the Lord, which he hath spoken.
- 4 And Moses wrote all the words of the Lord: and rising in the morning, he built an altar at the foot of the mount, and twelve titles according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, and they offered holocausts, and sacrificed pacific victims of calves to the Lord.

- **6** Then Moses took half of the blood, and put it into bowls; and the rest he poured upon the altar.
- 7 And taking the book of the covenant, he read it in the hearing of the people: and they said: All things that the Lord hath spoken, we will do, we will be obedient.
- **8** And he took the blood and sprinkled it upon the people, and he said: This is the blood of the covenant, which the Lord hath made with you concerning all these words.
- **9** Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abiu, and seventy of the ancients of Israel went up:
- 10 And they saw the God of Israel: and under his feet as it were a work of sapphire stone, and as the heaven, when clear.
- 11 Neither did he lay his hand upon those of the children of Israel, that retired afar off, and they saw God, and they did eat and drink.
- 12 And the Lord said to Moses: Come up to me into the mount, and be there; and I will give thee tables of stone, and the law, and the commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.
- 13 Moses rose up, and his minister Josue: and Moses going up into the mount of God,
- 14 Said to the ancients: Wait ye here till we return to you. You have Aaron and Hur with you: if any question shall arise, you shall refer it to them.
- 15 And when Moses was gone up, a cloud covered the mount.
- 16 And the glory of the Lord dwelt upon Sinai, covering it with a cloud six days: and the seventh day he called him out of the midst of the cloud.
- 17 And the sight of the glory of the Lord, was like a burning fire upon the top of the mount, in

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the eyes of the children of Israel.

18 And Moses entering into the midst of the cloud, went up into the mountain: And he was there forty days and forty nights.

Chapter 25

And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

- **2** Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring firstfruits to me: of every man that offereth of his own accord, you shall take them.
- **3** And these are the things you must take: Gold, and silver, and brass,
- 4 Violet and purple, and scarlet twice dyed, and fine linen, and goats' hair,
- **5** And rams' skins dyed red, and violet skins, and setim wood:
- **6** Oil to make lights: spices for ointment, and for sweetsmelling incense:
- **7** Onyx stones, and precious stones to adorn the ephod and the rational.
- **8** And they shall make me a sanctuary, and I will dwell in the midst of them:
- **9** According to all the likeness of the tabernacle which I will shew thee, and of all the vessels for the service thereof: and thus you shall make it:
- 10 Frame an ark of setim wood, the length whereof shall be of two cubits and a half; the breadth, a cubit and a half; the height, likewise, a cubit and a half.
- 11 And thou shalt overlay it with the purest gold, within and without; and over it thou shalt make a golden crown round about:
- 12 And four golden rings, which thou shalt put at the four corners of the ark: let two rings be on the one side, and two on the other.
- 13 Thou shalt make bars also of setim wood, and shalt overlay them with gold.

- 14 And thou shalt put them in through the rings that are in the sides of the ark, that it may be carried on them:
- 15 And they shall be always in the rings, neither shall they at any time be drawn out of them.
- 16 And thou shalt put in the ark the testimony which I will give thee.
- 17 Thou shalt make also a propitiatory of the purest gold: the length thereof shall be two cubits and a half, and the breadth a cubit and a half.
- 18 Thou shalt make also two cherubims of beaten gold, on the two sides of the oracle.
- 19 Let one cherub be on the one side, and the other on the other.
- 20 Let them cover both sides of the propitiatory, spreading their wings, and covering the oracle, and let them look one towards the other, their faces being turned towards the propitiatory wherewith the ark is to to be covered.
- **21** In which thou shalt put the testimony that I will give thee.
- 22 Thence will I give orders, and will speak to thee over the propitiatory, and from the midst of the two cherubims, which shall be upon the ark of the testimony, all things which I will command the children of Israel by thee.
- 23 Thou shalt make a table also of setim wood, of two cubits in length, and a cubit in breadth, and a cubit and a half in height.
- 24 And thou shalt overlay it with the purest gold: and thou shalt make to it a golden ledge round about.
- 25 And to the ledge itself a polished crown, four inches high; and over the same another little golden crown.
- 26 Thou shalt prepare also four golden rings, and shalt put them in the four corners of the same table, over each foot.