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Exodus 32:1

“Now when the people saw that Moses delayed coming down the mountain” Exodus 32:1

There is a reason why Jesus told His disciples, “In your patience you possess your souls.” (Luke 32:19). As Moses was in the Awesome Presence the people were growing impatient. They didn’t know “you have need of patience that, after you have done the will of God, you might receive the promise.” (Hebrew 10:36).

Ultimately their lack of patience cost them a high price. Their impatience caused them to bow down to a false demon god and many of them, because of such lack of self-control lost their lives. Misery struck many and their disobedience brought a great delay to the entire nation. Seeds of unbelief were sown that may have kept them from the Promised Land.

Our modern culture thrives upon people’s impatience. We have grown to demand immediacy in all our transactions and doings. Such impatience though is not reserved for modern peoples. Even the ancients struggled with impatience! Abraham had his Ismael and King Saul lost his throne, all because of such impatience. (Genesis 16; 1 Samuel 13). It is those who have discovered the secret of waiting upon God that will arise to great victory. “They that wait upon the LORD shall renew and exchange strength with Him; they shall mount up with wings of eagles.” (Isaiah 40:31)

Wait...

Linger...

Trust...

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