# THERE WERE SOME WEIRD LAWS IN THE O.T.

- Do not cook a goat in its mother's milk Ex. 23:19
- You shall not round off your hair on your temples or mar the edge of your beard Lev. 19:27
- You shall stand up before the gray head and honor the face of an old man Lev. 19:32
- Don't mix cattle, don't mix seed in field and don't wear garments with 2 different types of cloth Lev. 19:19
- Test to see if your wife was unfaithful Numbers 5:11-31

# WHY ALL OF THESE STRANGE LAWS?

- We're on shaky ground asking this question, admittedly so! Because God doesn't have to give a reason!
  - Sometimes the only reason God gives is "I am the LORD."
  - That should always be good enough for us to obey Lev. 19:37.
- Sometimes God offers a more detailed explanation though, such as:
  - Be kind to the sojourners because you once were a sojourner in a land not yours.
  - One of the reasons to keep the Sabbath was because God rested when He created the world.
  - Avoid sexual immorality because that Canaanites are being punished for those very sins.
- Were they given any reason for some of the stranger laws? At least on one occasion, yes...

# God wanted a separated, different, unique people — Lev. 20

**AND STILL DOES!!!** 

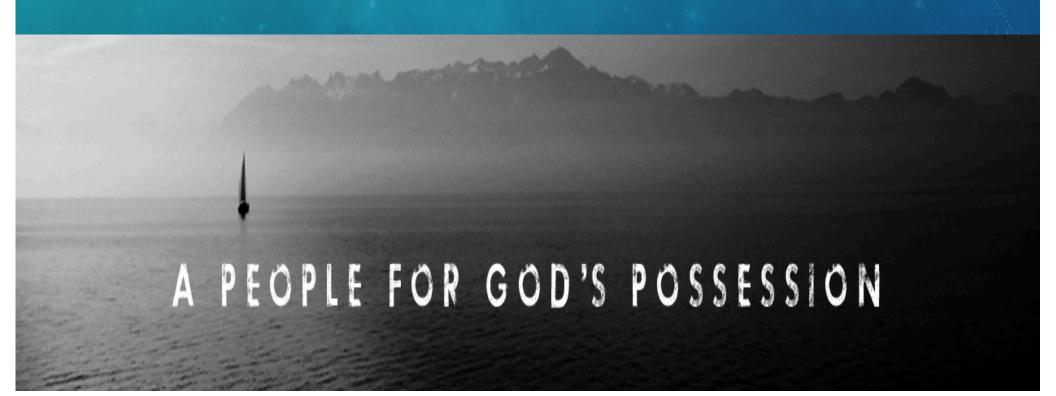
# Ex. 19:5-6

If the whole earth is God's, why does He want Israel? God must be searching for something different than what He has in the world.



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If the whole earth is God's, why does He want **the church**? God must be searching for something different than what He has in the world.



DO WE GIVE
PEOPLE A REASON
TO BELIEVE THIS
ABOUT US
SPIRITUALLY?

You ain't from around here!

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# come out from a mong them

God does not forgive us and make us His people so that we can keep looking like everyone else.



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