The Fearful Glory

Exodus 19:16-25

When God descended upon Mount Sinai, His presence was marked by thunder, lightning, thick cloud, and the sound of a trumpet that grew louder and louder. The mountain shook, and the people trembled. Exodus 19 reminds us that God is not to be approached casually—He is holy, glorious, and awe-inspiring.

This fearful glory of God both warns us of His holiness and invites us to prepare ourselves to meet Him. The people of Israel had to consecrate themselves, set boundaries, and recognize that only through God's command could they draw near.

We live on the other side of the cross, where Christ has torn the veil and granted us access to God's presence. Yet the call remains the same: approach with reverence, humility, and obedience. The glory that once caused trembling at Sinai is the same glory that transforms us today through Jesus Christ.

As we begin our series *Smoke*: *Encounters with God*, let us remember that encountering Him is never ordinary. His glory is fearful, His holiness unmatched, and His presence life-changing.

"Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire."

Hebrews 12:28-29

For His Glory, Pastor Dillon Evans



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Please fill out a "Welcome or C.A.R.E. Card" & place it in the offering plate.

11:00 am WORSHIP September 28, 2025

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP * 291 vs. 1—3 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

HYMN OF PRAISE * 2 vs. 1—4 WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS"Holy, Holy"

Jamie Moore, Deacon

CHILDREN'S SERMON Jac Worth MINISTRIES/PRAYER Pastor Dillon Evans

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

PARALLEL SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 12:18—29 Alayna Riedel

HYMN OF OFFERING * 446 vs. 1 & 4 "Take Time to Be Holy"

OFFERTORY PRAYER Jamie Moore, Deacon

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY * Hymn 253

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 19:16—25 Pastor Dillon Evans

SERIES: Smoke: Encounters with God

MESSAGE "The Fearful Glory" Pastor Dillon Evans

HYMN OF INVITATION * 315 "Room at the Cross"

(please use your hymnals)

CLOSING PRAYER Pastor Dillon Evans
CLOSING CHORUS * 10 "How Great Thou Art"

"As you go, make disciples..." Matthew 28:19 Pray, call, visit, minister, witness with members and others.

POSTLUDE Please take this time to greet one another

*Congregation Stands

CLOSING CHORUS # 10 "How Great Thou Art"

Then sings my soul, my Sav—ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav—ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

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