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## Introduction to the Book of the Covenant

### Exodus 20:22-23:19

...(Moses) took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. - Exodus 24:7

So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him. Then all the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." - Exodus 19:7-8a

The purpose of the Book of the Covenant was to help Israel \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Ten Commandments to everyday life.

#### A Few Principles for Studying Scripture:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ your questions/issues. Pray and seek the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) We begin by taking the Biblical text \_\_\_\_\_, and change our approach if there is a compelling \_\_\_\_\_ to do so.
- 3) The primary meaning of a text is determined by the person who wrote it, their intended audience, and the historical cultural context of the time it was written.

"And if a man beats his male or female servant with a rod, so that he dies under his hand, he shall surely be punished. Notwithstanding, if he remains alive a day or two, he shall not be punished; for he is his property. - Exodus 21:20-21

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. - Proverbs 22:6

The Bible contains different \_\_\_\_\_, and we need to be aware of what \_\_\_\_\_ we are studying.

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God..." - 2 Timothy 3:16

God is the ultimate \_\_\_\_\_, author, \_\_\_\_\_, and preserver of His Word.

It's wise to start a study of any Biblical text by simply \_\_\_\_\_ what the text \_\_\_\_\_.

"Then the LORD said to Moses..." - Exodus 20:22

The Gospel is the lens through which the Church is to view all of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.