

## #537 The Names Not Written in the Book – The Deliverance of Israel by the Golden Calf



*Exodus 32:1-8 (KJV) And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.*

*2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me.*

*3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron.*

*4 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it **A MOLTEN CALF**: and they said, **THESE BE THY GODS, O ISRAEL, WHICH BROUGHT THEE UP OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT.***

*5 And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To morrow is a feast to the LORD.*

*6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.*

*7 And the LORD said unto **Moses**, **Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves:***

*8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: **THEY HAVE MADE THEM A MOLTEN CALF, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, THESE BE THY GODS, O ISRAEL, WHICH HAVE BROUGHT THEE UP OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT.***



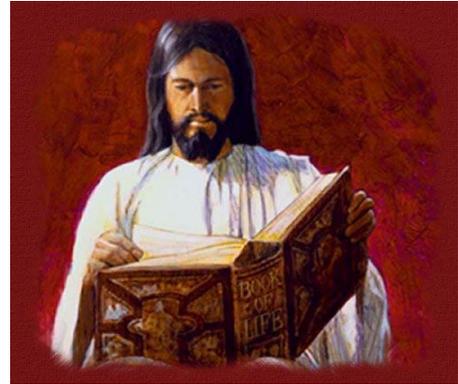
**Key Understanding:** *The deliverance of Israel by the golden calf.* The idolatrous Israelites worshipped the image of the golden calf and gave credit to it for their deliverance out of Egypt. Let's note, then, that the themes of Deliverance and the Book of Life are prominent in Exodus 32, and are linked together, for the threat of the blotting out of the Book of Life was associated with the Israelites' idolatrous worship of the golden calf for their Deliverance out of Egypt.

*Exodus 32:30-33 (KJV) And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.*

31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.

32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—; and if not, **BLOT ME, I pray thee, out of THY BOOK WHICH THOU HAST WRITTEN.**

33 And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, **HIM WILL I BLOT OUT OF MY BOOK.**



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