

**Ws Friday Yitro and Czech Scrolls 60th Anniversary.** What are the advantages of reading from a scroll in shul rather than, say, a Chumash?/ why do you treasure your Czech Scrolls?

### Shemot (Exodus) 20:19-21

<p>(יט) וַיֹּאמֶר יי אֶל־מֹשֶׁה כֹּה תֹאמַר אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אַתֶּם רְאִיתֶם פִּי מִן־הַשָּׁמַיִם דְּבַרְתִּי עִמָּכֶם:</p> <p>(כ) לֹא תַעֲשׂוּן אֹתִי אֱלֹהִי כֶסֶף וְאֱלֹהִי זָהָב לֹא תַעֲשׂוּ לָכֶם:</p> <p>(כא) מִזְבֵּחַ אֲדָמָה תַעֲשֶׂה־לִּי וְזָבַחַת עָלָיו אֶת־עֹלֹתֶיךָ וְאֶת־שְׁלָמֶיךָ אֶת־צֹאנֶיךָ וְאֶת־בְּקָרְךָ בְּכָל־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר אֲזַכִּיר אֶת־שְׁמִי אָבוֹא אֵלֶיךָ וּבֵרַכְתִּיךָ: (כב)</p>	<p>(19) יי said to Moses: Thus shall you say to the Israelites: You yourselves saw that I spoke with you from the very heavens:</p> <p>(20) With Me, therefore, you shall not make any gods of silver, nor shall you make for yourselves any gods of gold.</p> <p>(21) Make for Me an altar of earth and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your sacrifices of well-being, your sheep and your oxen; in every place where I cause My name to be mentioned I will come to you and bless you.</p>
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- What do you think is the relationship between verse 19 and 20? What in verse 19 provides rationale for why we shouldn't make idols?
- What's the possible relationship between verse 21 and the two verses beforehand? What in the two previous verses suggest why God should be served this way and not other ways?
- What qualities of interaction with Torah and the Divine come across in these verses? How can we recreate them? How do we recreate them?