# **GOD'S WAY OF SALVATION IN EXODUS 1-18**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Book of God's Word is our study tonight. The Book of Exodus continues the incredible story of God's desires for us His creations. Please turn there with me as we uncover within these pages the wonders of Jesus Christ. He is perfectly all we need.

- 1. **EXODUS 1-18: GOD REVEALS HIS WAY OF SALVATION**. Divine Redemption Has Jesus As Its Perfect Redeemer. God Shows The Way Out... Of Bondage Into Freedom. God Is Showing He Is Powerful.
- 2. **EXODUS 19-23: GOD REVEALS HIS WAY OF SANCTIFICATION**. Divine Morality Has Jesus As Its Perfect Example. The Way Out... Of Ignorance Into God's Law And Program. God Is Showing He Is Holy.
- 3. **EXODUS 24-40: GOD REVEALS HIS WAY OF WORSHIP**. Divine Worship Has Jesus As Its Perfect Focus. The Way Out...Of The World Into God's Presence. God Is Showing He Is Knowable.

To really get a hold on this book, think with me what it lets us in on. It is no less than God's discipleship of an entire nation. Have you ever thought of that?

In the first section (chapters 1-18) the people of Israel never get to know God personally. Instead they experience Him in action against the false gods of Egypt.

But at Sinai (chapters 19-23), God comes down to make Himself known. What is His method? Showing them their individual responsibility for personal sins. This led to an acute awareness (or should have) of their inability to please God on their own merit.

Then, the Sacred Tent (chapters 24-40) was erected and the priesthood given, to offer an incredibly clear and powerful image of Christ their only hope.

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GOD KNOWS AND UNDERSTANDS THE BITTERNESS OF LIFE (1)

GOD PROVIDES A DELIVERER (Exodus 2) Moses' 1st 40 years in Pharaoh's palace.

CHRIST WAS LIKE MOSES IN HIS LIFE.

- 1. Both were born of poor parents under a tyrant.
- 2. Both were preserved in infancy, whereas others were destroyed.
- 3. Both spent many years in humble toil (shepherd, carpenter).

- 4. Both demonstrated their calling by miracles.
- 5. Both fasted fourty days in a wilderness.
- 6. Both rejected the easy way: Pharoah's daughter, Satan's temptation.
- 7. Both made the sea obey them: Red Sea, Sea of Galilee.
- 8. Both their faces shone with glory: Sinai, Mount of Transfiguration.
- 9. Both fed thousands miraculously.
- 10. Both were very meek.
- 11. Both were rejected by national Israel.
- 12. They were the only two divinely authorized lawgivers that the world has ever seen.

# CHRIST WAS LIKE MOSES IN HIS WORK

- 1. Both were teachers (Deut. 4:5; Matt. 22:16).
- 2. Both were judges (Ex. 18:13; John 5:22).
- 3. Both were redeemers (Ex. 3:10; Is. 59:20; Gal. 4:4-5).
- 4. Both were mediators (Deut. 5:5, 25-28; 1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 9:15).
- 5. Both were intercessors (Num. 14:11, 18-20; Is. 53:12; Heb. 7:25).
- 6. Both were leaders (Ex. 32:34; Is. 55:4; John 10:3-4).
- 7. Both were kings (Deut. 33:5; Matt. 2:2; 27:37).

### CHRIST IS SUPERIOR TO MOSES

- 1. Moses' miracles were ones of judgement; Christ's, of healing.
- 2. Moses could not lead Israel into the land (Matt. 28:18; Heb. 10:19-20).
- 3. Moses was the servant; Christ, the Son (Heb. 3:1-6).
- 4. Moses was for the Jews; Christ's redemption is universal (1 John 2:1-2).
- 5. Moses manifested the law; Christ, grace (Heb. 7:19; John 1:17).
- 6. God will put His words in this prophet's mouth; and if any hearken not to Him, God will require it of him (Deut. 18:18-19).

# ➤ GOD SENDS HIS SERVANTS (Exodus 3-6)

- 1. God chooses Moses (3:1-12) Moses' 2<sup>nd</sup> 40 years in the desert of Midian.
- 2. God reveals His Name of Names in the bush (3:13-22) SEVEN I AM'S OF CHRIST in JOHN. John 8:58 Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." NKJV This is the ultimate statement of being the only foundation, cause and purpose for life. Now in John's Gospel, seven times Jesus said I AM THE. These seven can be stated another way:
  - BREAD OF LIFE (6:35) He sustains us, apart from Him is only unsatisfied hunger.
  - □ LIGHT OF WORLD (8:12) He illumines us, apart from Him is only impenetrable darkness.
  - □ DOOR OF SHEEP (I0:7,9) He admits us to life, apart from Him is only hopeless exclusion.
  - GOOD SHEPHERD (I0:II) He cares for us, apart from Him is only aimless wandering.

- RESURRECTION AND LIFE (II:25) He provides us life, apart from Him is only endless dying.
- □ WAY, TRUTH & LIFE (I4:6) He guides us, apart from Him is only endless lostness.
- TRUE VINE (I5:I) He makes us productive, apart from Him is only continual withering.
- 3. God challenges Moses (3:23-6:30) to start the last 40 years in God's service by offering God's First Challenge to Pharaoh (4:27-31; 5:1-23; 6:1); God's plan is to deliver Israel On Eagles' Wings (6:2-9; see 19:4); God's Second Challenge to Pharaoh (6:10-30; 7:1-13)

# > GOD DEFEATS HIS ENEMIES (EXODUS 7-11)

- 1. River of Blood (Exodus 7)
- 2. The Finger of God (Exodus 8)
- 1. Then the Gods Were Silent (Exodus 9-10)
- 2. An Ordinance Forever (Exodus 11)

Ancient Egypt at its Zenith fifteen centuries before Christ was awesome. The Pyramids were over a thousand years old, and stood towering ominously over this proud and powerful people. The 'God-Kings' or Pharaohs as we call them, were sons of Khnum, descendants of RA and the bearers of divinity to the masses. Astride the Mighty Nile, Egypt knew prosperity, fertile and productive agriculture and great peace.

But, a nation had grown up in their midst for 400 years. It had started with just an old man and his twelve boys. Jacob and his twelve sons, his daughters and their families had flourished. In Goshen they now numbered nearly three million. As God had promised to his grandfather Abraham, his descendants would be as numberless as the sands of the sea. From one man to three million is a vast multiplication. And so, the stage is set:

THE GREATEST ANCIENT EMPIRE: EGYPT vs.
THE ENSLAVED PEOPLE OF GOD: ISRAEL

But, it was even more than that. It was also:

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God's People	VS.	Satan's People
God's Promise	VS.	The Curse
God's Power	vs.	The Kingdom of
		Darkness
Two eighty year old men	VS.	Pharaoh, his armies and
		the entire religion of
		Egypt
Shy Moses	vs.	Proud Pharaoh
The Whole Plan of God	vs.	The Whole Plan of Satan
for Redemption		for Rebellion

# Why? These were the: Covenant People

Bearers of God's Promises Vehicle of God's Written revelation

And, Ultimately, the only way Christ could come in God's plan!

The Jews were and are so important in God's plan. And so in about the year 1445/46 BC God told Moses to GO. And that is where we start this morning. In lightning fast flashes, we have a succession of TEN POWERFUL imprints upon the fabric of Egyptian Society. A land of mystery and false worship of false gods -- brought face to face with the TRUE God of the UNIVERSE. Turn to Exodus 6:1-7; 7:3

One cannot help but be awed by the splendor of the ancient Egyptian temples. Even the remains of many merely represent the fragments of past glory, the crumbling ruins are a testimony to the splendor that Egypt once enjoyed. The multitude of shrines, inscriptions and religious objects are a constant reminder as are the massive temples and tombs now in ruins are so vivid a reminder that the grandeur of it all, must have been marvelous. However, the myriads of statues that now adorn the museums of the world found in excavations are a grim reminder of the folly of their idolatry. To think those people feared and followed these lifeless gods when faced with the Living and True God of the Universe is tragic, eternally tragic.

Mummies were normally 5-5 1/2 feet tall

Amenhotep II = Exodus; Thutmose III = Oppression

The gods of the Ancient Egyptians numbered as many as eighty<sup>2</sup> by some counts. These gods were to some degree quite different from the Canaanite deities who demanded incinerated babies, bleeding human hearts and so on.

Sacred to them were the lion, ox and ram; the wolf, dog and cat; the ibis, falcon and hippopotamus; the crocodile, cobra and dolphin; they revered the frog, scarab and locust. They also had anthropomorphic gods of AMUN, OSIRUS and ATUM. Finally, Pharaoh was himself a ruler and a god. In each of the ten plague, The Lord showed the gods of Egypt were all impotent. Remember the Ten plagues?

Lets examine the PLAGUES in the light of the worship of all the Egyptian gods. The captors of the captive Jews were proud of their false worship and GOD is about to humble them.

### I. NILE PLAGUE [7:14-25] =

### THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED: Α.

When God allowed Moses to turn the Nile to blood it was a catastrophe of greatest magnitude. This is because the Nile was so vital to Egyptian life. It was guarded by the feared god, Khnum at its sources. It was inhabited by the spirit of <u>HAPI</u>, and was the bloodstream of the most revered of all the gods - OSIRUS, god of the underworld.

<sup>2</sup> Davis, p.94ff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> John Davis, Moses and the God's of Egypt, p. 87

2. Also those who worshiped the <u>NEITH</u> the goddess of war would have noticed her inability to protect her children the lates [large fish] of the Nile which died in the plague. <u>HATHOR</u> protected a smaller fish the chromis, which also died.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. This plague was an unmistakable message. It was to drive a wooden stake into the very heart of the worship of Egypt. Simply stated, God is powerful and you are impotent.
- 2. OSIRUS was hit to show only God controls the after life. God is very concerned that mankind knows the true JUDGE OF DESTINY.
- 3. HAPI was hit to show on God is the spirit of creation.
- 4. NEITH was hit to show only God came watch over and protect people securely. GOD wants all to know He alone is the ROCK OF SECURITY.

# II. FROG PLAGUE [8:1-15] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. Like a blanket of filth, the slimy wet monstrosities covered the land until men sickened at the continued squashing crunch of the ghastly pavement they were forced to walk upon. If a mans feet slipped on the greasy mass of their crushed bodies, he fell into an indescribably offensive mass of putrid uncleanness, and when he sought water to cleanse himself, the water was solid with frogs, so he got no cleansing there.<sup>3</sup>
- 2. The frogs were called krur and represented fruitfulness or fertility. The annual flood of the Nile which renewed the farmland caused them to make the goddess <u>HEQT</u>, embodied as a frog, the wife of the great Khnum.
- 3. The harming or death of a frog was a capital offense. It was punishable by death in that time, to have every square inch of the land thick with frogs. To feel them crunching beneath your feet. To smell your feared gods rotting in heaps.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. All this was a death blow to the closed system of their worship. God was true and powerful, their gods were not.
- 2. HEQT was hit to show who really created Egypt. God is very concerned that all know the CREATOR.

# III. GNAT/LICE PLAGUE [8:16-19] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. This was unannounced. Josephus said they were lice in Talmud but its not in the Hebrew text.
- 2. The most hit group were the priests because of their shaving and purification became unclean. They controlled to a large degree the hearts and minds of the people.
- B. THE REASON WHY:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Davis, p. 109.

1. GOD alone is holy. No priests are or could make anyone holy!

# IV. FLY PLAGUE [8:20-32] =

### A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. These were blood sucking, caused blindness, that were abhorred.
- 2. They were related to VATCHIT, the god of flies.
- 3. They were not in Goshen, that is a miracle.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. Only GOD can protect from pestilence.
- 2. VATCHIT is false and powerless.

# V. CATTLE PLAGUE [9:1-7] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. Only the Egyptian cows were killed. They were significant to their worship [Davis, p. 121-22].
- 2. The god PTAH was sacred to the APIS bull, which was central to Egyptian worship.
- 3. On November 13, 1856 Mariette found an underground avenue 1,120 feet long with 64 huge burial chambers. Each containing sarcophogi that were 12 feet long, 9 feet high and 6 feet wide. They were made of red and black granite and weighed over 60 tons each.
- 4. HATHOR the goddess of love and beauty was depicted with bulls horns and a sun disk. The worship at Heliopolis used the sacred bull in Sun worship.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. PTAH was hit to show the god behind that bull was only an impotent demon.
- 2. MNEVIS was hit to show that even the union of the sun god and the sacred APIS bull was powerless to keep the sacred bull on display at the Heliopolis alive!
- 3. HATHOR the goddess of love and beauty was powerless in the ugliness of death.
- 4. This plague was devastating to Pharaoh who had vast herds of cattle [Gen. 47:6, 17] The economy was so dependent on oxen for plowing and carts, cattle for milk and worship. Camels, donkeys and horses for transportation.

# VI. BOIL PLAGUE [9:8-17] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- Like the 3rd plague this one was unannounced. the Lion headed goddess SEKHMET was the regulator of epidemics and diseases.
- 2. The magicians of Pharaoh's court were so skilled in the arts of the occult, their names are still on record 2 Timothy 3:8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. (KJV)
- 3. All of Egypt believed that SERAPSIS was the god of healing and IMHOTEP the god of Medicine.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. SEKHMET was hit to prove he could not regulate epidemics and diseases.
- 2. The magicians of Pharaoh's court, Jannes and Jambres, found that when they withstood Moses his god was REAL!
- 3. SERAPSIS was hit to demonstrate that only GOD is the One who is the god of healing.
- 4. IMHOTEP was hit to declare who was really the god of Medicine.

# VII. HAIL PLAGUE [9:18-35] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. This plague occurred in late January of early February.
- 2. The Egyptians of course, had a goddess of the sky and weather named NUT.
- 3. Two other gods watched over agriculture. They were named ISIS and SETH.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. The blackened and desolate fields were a tragic testimony of the impotence their deities of wood and stone.
- 2. The Egyptians had a goddess of the sky and weather named NUT who could not protect them from the CREATOR.
- 3. ISIS and SETH were not really responsible for the crops, they were as all else, under the TRUE GOD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH!

# VIII. LOCUST PLAGUE [10:1-20] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

The locust is perhaps nature's most awesome example of the collective 1. destructive power of a species. An adult locust weighs a maximum of two grams, and yet its combined destructive force can leave thousands of people in famine for years. The locust plagues were very much feared in ancient Egypt. So much so that the peasants were in the habit of praying to the locust god. [Satan likes to keep superstitious peoples enslaved to his demonic hordes evil powers.] No one who has ever seen the locust at work accuses the Bible of hyperbole. In 1926 and 1927, small swarms of the African migratory locusts were spotted in an area 50 by 120 miles on the plains of the river Niger near Timbuktu. The next year swarms invaded Senegal and Sierra Leone. By 1930 the whole of west Africa was flailing away at the pests with everything movable. But the locusts didn't seem to notice; swarms reached Khartoum, more than 2,000 miles to the east of Timbuktu, then turned south, spreading across Ethiopia, Kenya, the Belgian Congo, and in 1932, striking into the lush farm land of Angola and Rhodesia. Before the plague finally sputtered out fourteen years after it began, it affected five-million square miles of Africa, an area nearly double the size of the United States<sup>4</sup>. A locust is capable of eating its own weight daily. One square mile of a swarm will normally contain

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Davis, pp. 128-130.

from 100,000,000 to 200,000,000 of the creatures. It is unusual, however, for such plagues to occupy an area of only one square mile. Swarms covering more than 400 square miles have been recorded.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

1. GOD alone can marshals his creatures to do His bidding.

# IX. DARKNESS PLAGUE [10:21-29] =

### A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. The darkness like in the deepest cave could be felt. All of Egypt instantly knew that the source of light was extinguished and for how long, no one knew. Only Israel had light in their dwelling places.
- 2. The heart of all Egyptian religion was the worship of the sun god, RA. The largest of all the ancient temples with over 100 miles of walls and gardens, was the Luxor Temple of AMUN RA the Sun god. This god had a wife MUT and son KHONS all were sacred and of the highest degree of worship.
- 3. HATHOR was the goddess who controlled the sky. HORUS was the son of RA. ISIS and OSIRUS completed the sacred pantheon.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. GOD, who is light, struck the heart of all Egyptian religion , the worship of the sun god, RA.
- 2. Powerless were the legions of priests that overflowed the largest of all the ancient temples with over 100 miles of walls and gardens, was the Luxor Temple of AMUN RA the Sun god.
- 3. RA and wife MUT and son KHONS all were sacred and of the highest degree of worship. None rose to defend their titles
- 4. HATHOR was the goddess who controlled the sky. HORUS was the son of RA. None could undo what GOD had done.
- 5. ISIS and OSIRUS who watched over the afterlife were watching in darkness.
- 6. GOD alone gives the true light to guide individuals to the way, truth and life.

# X. DEATH OF FIRSTBORN PLAGUE [11:1-12:32] =

# A. THE PLAGUE DESCRIBED:

- 1. Nothing we can imagine can come close to what happened on Passover Night. Life was going on in Egypt. The pest Moses had caused some problems but, nothing that couldn't be forgotten.
- 2. From cradle to stall, all the firstborn, known only to God, were struck. The wail and moans must have been indescribably chilling.

# B. THE REASON WHY:

- 1. Only the blood of God's Sacrifice can keep His hand of wrath abetted. Only those who trust and obey would be safe.
- 2. Egypt was powerful, pampered and proud. And on that very night, the Death Angel would make an unforgettable visit. There are some powerful lessons built into the Passover. We must not miss them.

What is it about the Passover we must remember? Two main areas are presented in the Bible, God's Word.

# THERE WAS A FINAL, DARK PLAGUE TO FEAR:

- It was <u>UNSPEAKABLE</u> to even imagine a supernatural messenger of doom was to hunt and kill the first born, was beyond words. That anyone could pick out the first born of man and livestock in the unlit blackness of an Egyptian night, is imperceivable. And to know it was tonight, was beyond words to express.
- It was <u>UNAVOIDABLE</u> there was no place he would not visit. Each family
  would be noticed and examined from poorest to the richest. From the huts of
  farming peasants to the ivory halls of palaces, all would see the dark shadow of
  the Death Angel.
- It was <u>UNSTOPPABLE</u> there was no power on earth then or now that could have stopped that stalking death. Nothing to deflect his sword of death.
- It was <u>UNEXPECTED</u> life was moving along as expected. Business as usual.
  Yes, that old fanatic was still crying judgment. But, we live in a real world, not
  some God we can't see who can judge us. Remember, the god's of Egypt were
  put to bed each night in their temples by the priest. Awakened each day, fed,
  clothed and put on display...

Sounds just like Hell and the wrath of God facing unrepentant sinners today. Remember that Jesus says!

# THERE WAS A FULL SALVATION TO SEEK:

- <u>God's offer was Salvation</u> He gave the ones who would listen the only solution to avert the disaster of the Death Angel's sword.
- God's plan was Substitution He detailed a simple act of taking an innocent, spotless lamb to die in the place of the family members.
- God's method was the Sprinkling of Blood in the dark, a sprinkle of blood on the door posts was all it took to find protection.
- <u>God's promise was Sufficient</u> it included deliverance from death, provision of all needs for life, and the hope of a land of promise flowing with milk and honey. All this with a personal guide to assure safe arrival!

So what does the Lord want us to remember tonight? THE PASSOVER. And what does that teach us? About our REDEMPTION.

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Sounds like simply receiving the gift of God in Christ!

# > GOD REDEEMS HIS PEOPLE (EXODUS 12-14)

- 1. THE PASSOVER PICTURE (Exodus 12)<sup>5</sup> Exodus 12 gives us the thrilling story of the Passover, the clearest Old Testament picture of our individual salvation through faith in the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. In this chapter is the basis for calling Christ the Lamb of God, Christ our Passover, and the many tender references to His crucifixion as the death of our own Passover Lamb. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us (I Corinthians 5:7. God said that the first-born in all Egypt should die. It would have fallen on the Hebrews, too, had they not killed the paschal lamb and been protected by its blood of redemption (Exodus 12:12,13).
  - What was the message of the Passover? It is found in Exodus 12:7 & 13.
- SPECIFIC: Only those who obeyed the Lord's specific instructions would be spared.
- SACRIFICIAL: Put the BLOOD of an innocent, spotless lamb that was poured out, caught in a bowl and applied.
- SUBSTITUTIONARY: Paint it on the door posts as the reminder that a lamb was identifies with that family and it was slain. This was true of all the homes that wish to be spared the horrors of God's wrath.
- SUFFICIENT: All who hid behind the shadow of that bloody sacrifice were protected from God's wrath. The bloody cross of Calvary casts a narrow shadow in today's sinful world. All who step by faith into that place of refuge are eternally saved from God's wrath upon sin. And, they can begin to enjoy His abundant life forever.
- 2. **DOUBT**: Way of Wilderness (13)
- 3. **DELIVERANCE**: Salvation of the Lord (14) As always, it was not the covenant that saved, nor the sacrifices, nor the ceremonies. Not even big events were able to save them like the Passover, Red Sea event or Sinai. It was only by personal faith mixed with obedience (as most clearly shown in the brazen serpent incident). As the atonement was sufficient for all (they all came out of Egypt) it was only efficient or effective for those whose personally took the truth by faith (seemingly a precious few)!

Look at Ex. 12:38 (the same group as Neh. 13:3) who wanted a Savior without a Lord. This brings up a whole concept that troubles some people. It is called -

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Mears, What the Bible is all about, p. 36-37. dtbm backup 091027 - sca#2:dtbm backup 091027;dtbm:mp3:7-2006 sermons;serms 70 80 90:1998;980308pm exodus-03.doc 7/31/11 10

LORDSHIP. I was once called in before a council at DTS to "defend Lordship". I asked them to base our discussions on just the Bible, no issues or personalities. I shared the following 12 verses and they said they had no further questions.

- 1. Luke 14:33 "So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple. NKJV
- 2. John 17:3 "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. NKJV
- 3. Acts 5:32 "And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him." NKJV
- 4. Acts 11:18 When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life." NKJV
- 5. Acts 20:32 "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. NKJV
- 6. Acts 26:20 "but declared first to those in Damascus and in Jerusalem, and throughout all the region of Judea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent, turn to God, and do works befitting repentance. NKJV
- 7. Colossians 1:23 if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister. NKJV
- 8. 2 Thessalonians 1:8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. NKJV
- 9. Hebrews 12:9 Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? NKJV
- 10. James 1:21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. NKJV
- 11. 1 Peter 1:2 elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. NKJV
- 12. 1 John 2:17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. NKJV

Note what the writer of Hebrews says about those who saw but never experienced God's salvation. Hebrews 3:7-19

Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you will hear His voice, 8 Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, In the day of trial in the wilderness, 9 Where your fathers tested Me, tried Me, And saw My works forty years. 10 Therefore I was angry with that generation, And said, 'They always go astray in their heart, And they have not known My ways.' 11 So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.' "12 Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God;13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.14 For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end,15 while it is said: "Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." 16 For who, having heard,

rebelled? Indeed, was it not all who came out of Egypt, led by Moses?17 Now with whom was He angry forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose corpses fell in the wilderness?18 And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who did not obey? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief. NKJV

- ➤ GOD PREPARES THE WAY (Ex. 15 18)
  - 1. **MIGHTY GOD OF MOSES**: Twofold Song (Rev. 15:1-4; Exod.15:1-21) The Christian life is not an easy road, but a hard and narrow one.
  - 2. **MARAH**: Wells of Bitterness (15:22-26) Only Jesus can make bitter days sweet through His Cross.
  - 3. **MANNAH** (16) Jesus Bread of Life (John 6:48-51) Manna is a type of Christ as well as a picture of our daily need of the Word! Note the elements of the Israelites gathering manna:
    - Personal effort gather by work
    - Private obedience not leave, won't keep
    - Priority discipline melts
    - Provision rest not on the Sabbath; Three truths we can grow by:
      - A. God provides perfect supply
      - B. God expects must involve
      - C. God knows can't hide lack
  - 5. **REPHIDIM** (17:1-7) Jesus Water of Life (John 4:13-14; I Cor. 10:4 who was smitten for us)
  - 6. **AMALEK**: (17:8-16) Amalekites (the grandson of Esau) are a picture of the flesh and is our mortal enemy. Only Christ gives us the victory Deuteronomy 25:17-18 "Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you were coming out of Egypt,18 "how he met you on the way and attacked your rear ranks, all the stragglers at your rear, when you were tired and weary; and he did not fear God. NKJV
  - 7. **JETHRO**: portrays the wisdom from above (spirit led shared ministry) that triumphs over earthly wisdom (weariness of self-empowered service for God). (18)

# GOD REVEALS HIS WAY OF SANCTIFICATION. DIVINE MORALITY HAS JESUS AS ITS PERFECT EXAMPLE (EXODUS 19-23) THE WAY OUT... OF IGNORANCE INTO GOD'S LAW AND PROGRAM. GOD IS SHOWING HE IS HOLY.

- ➤ He gives a standard impossible to keep on our own. The Covenant at Sinai (Ex. 19:1-24:14)
  - 1. God's Ten Words (20:1-17) By Christ shortened to two commands, in Christ summed up in one word LOVE.
  - 2. A Mount that Might be Touched (Exodus 20:18-21; Heb. 12:18-22)
  - 3. A Call to Worship (20:22-26)
  - 4. A list of Individual Rights (21:1-32)
  - 5. A list Rights of Property (21:33-36; 22:1-15);
  - 6. A list Miscellaneous Laws (22:16-31; 23:1-19)

# GOD REVEALS HIS WAY OF WORSHIP. DIVINE WORSHIP HAS JESUS AS ITS PERFECT FOCUS. (EXODUS 24-40) THE WAY OUT...OF THE WORLD INTO GOD'S PRESENCE. GOD IS SHOWING HE IS KNOWABLE.

Of what possible importance could an old, dusty animal skin tent in the midst of a Nomadic, wandering migration of people camping across the Sinai's trackless desert have in this ultra modern 21st century life in which we live? Can a tent constructed 35 dim centuries ago give any light to the dark, sin stained path we often must tread? Join me as we look at the tent and its meaning and find strength in Christ for our lives today.

- 1. Moses In the Mount with God (25:1-9)
- 2. An Ark of a Covenant (25:10-22)
- 3. A Table and a Presence-Bread (Exodus 25:23-30; Lev.24:5-9)
- 4. A Candlestick's Pure Light (25:31-40; 27:20,21)
- 5. A Tent of Significance (26:1-30)
- 6. A Way "Into the Holiest" (Exodus 26:31-37, Heb. 10:19-22)
- 7. A Court and its Contents (27:1-19; 30:17-21)
- 8. A Ransom to pay (30:11-16; 38:24-31)
- 9. A Beauty to capture (31:1-11)
- 10. A Rest like God's (31:12-17)
- ❖ Old Testament Worship centered on the Tabernacle and then the Temple. Divinely designed liturgy was carried on for 1,500 nearly unbroken years in the way Moses was told by God to do it on Mt. Sinai.
- ❖ The epicenter of that worship was the Holy Place. In the front half of it stood the Altar of Incense, Golden Lampstand and Table of Showbread. A curtain divided the room. This curtain was actually a finely woven rug 4 inches thick, 60 feet high and 40 feet wide. Massive and towering and declaring one clear message STAY OUT. No natural light ever penetrated its dark depths. Even the light of the ever-burning Lampstand never reached behind the veil.
- ❖ In better times the Shekinah Glory of the Presence of God made the Holiest of Holies behind the veil brighter than noonday. In all of Israel's history probably no more than 50 men had ever gone into the holy of Holies. David never went in, Daniel and Jeremiah never went in. Only the High Priest and then only once a year.
- ❖ Inside that room was a box covered with gold, containing the stone tablets of the Law, a pot of manna and Aaron's Rod that budded. Above that Ark of the Covenant stood two golden cherubim with wings shielding the mercy seat. Their faces gazing downward forever focusing upon the blood.
- When that day came for the High Priest to pass behind that veil. He was wearing bells on the hem of his garment to let the other priests know he was still alive as he was inside; garbed carefully in the God directed robes and priestly garments. With trembling hands cradling a basin of blood, veiled by a cloud of smoking incense burning in a pot he carried - the High Priest would enter.

- Sprinkling the blood on that mercy seat on behalf of all the people of God and hastening out. Why? The only purpose of the Veil was to keep people out of the Holy Presence of God. God was saying I AM HOLY. YOU ARE NOT. STAY OUT!
- ❖ On the day Christ died can you imagine the scene those officiating priests must have beheld? They came in to trim the lamps, pour a handful of incense over the fire on the altar and change the bread on the Table. Then perhaps at that very moment Christ touched the Veil.
- ❖ With an unearthly sound that massive curtain was violently torn from top to bottom. Aghast, as for the first time in nearly 1,500 years common people looked upon the ark and the mercy seat and God's throne of grace and mercy. As God said ANYONE WHO WISHES MAY COME IN NOW. YOU ARE WELCOME ANYTIME. Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (KJV) Aren't you glad we live on this side of Calvary?
- ➤ Part I: The Tabernacle- (God's Portrait of Christ "tenting" John 1:14 among us)
  - 1. The Tabernacle: LIVING IN His Presence. The four tents of Christ: tabernacle; John 1 Christ tabernacled among us; Christ in us clay pots and tent stakes; us with Christ.
  - 2. The Brazen Altar: APPROACHING HIS HOLINESS (The Doctrine of Satisfaction)
  - 3. The Laver of Brass: CLEANSING OUR SINS (The Doctrine of Sanctification) The Three Entrances (McGee)
  - 4. The Golden Lampstand: WALKING IN HIS LIGHT
  - 5. The Table of Showbread: NOURISHED BY OUR SAVIOR
  - 6. The Altar Of Incense (30:1-10, 34-38): PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT
  - 7. The Veil Which Was Rent: ENTERING HIS PRESENCE WITH BOLDNESS
  - 8. The Ark of the Covenant: TRUSTING HIS PROMISES
  - 9. The Mercy Seat: RESTING IN HIS SACRIFICE

Part II: The Sacrificial System

The Sacrificial Offerings

The Burnt Offering

The Meal Offering

The Peace Offering

The Sin Offering

The Trespass Offering

Part III: The Priesthood A Priesthood of men (Exodus 28-29)

Called To Serve

Clothed For Service

Consecrated For Service

Conduct In Service

Christ, The Superior Priest-185;

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Christ, The Superior Sacrifice-219;

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Consecrated To Christ for Service-237;

# Physical Aspects Of The Tabernacle

- ❖ SIZE 172 FEET X 86 FEET (STRONG)
- Holy of Holies 15 feet square the "Holiest spot on earth" (Swindoll)
- ❖ Holy Place 30 feet long X 15 feet wide

### **MATERIALS:**

- Precious metals (Davies)
- ❖ Gold 2,500 pounds or 16 million dollars at \$400 per ounce.
- Silver 9,000 pounds or 1.4 million dollars at \$9 per ounce.
- ❖ Bronze 6,000 pounds

### SYMBOLIC MATERIALS:

- ❖ Wood Humanity of Christ
- Silver Redemption money
- Gold Royalty of Christ

# FABRIC AND SKINS (DEHANN):

- Linen fence like the law kept men out
- Colors: White perfection; Blue heavenly; Scarlet sacrifice; Purple royalty
- skins: Badger lit. "porpoise" abundant in the Nile area
- ❖ Valuable for shoe leather in rocky area, but sacrificed for God's house.

# ARTICLES IN TABERNACLE:

- Courtyard laver, altar burnt offering
- Holy Place incense, table, showered, candelabra
- Holiest of All Ark, veil

### SPIRITUAL MEANING IN THE TABERNACLE:

- Explained in the New Testament (Scofield);
- Expanded In The Symbolism (DeHann)
  - 1. Exodus 25:8 Ephesians 2:19-22 The church is God's dwelling place by the power of the Spirit as in the Tabernacle
  - 2. II Corinthians 6:16 The Tabernacle is also typical of the believer 2 Corinthians 6:16 And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." NKJV
  - 3. Hebrews 9:23-24 It was also the pattern of the Heavenly things Hebrews 9:23-24 Therefore it was necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.24 For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; NKJV

# SYMBOLIC ARTICLES:

Ark - typifies the: Supreme authority of Christ; Kingly position of Christ; Finished work of Christ John 19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He

said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit. NKJV Hebrews 1:3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, NKJV

- Lamp Christ, the light of the world John 8:12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." NKJV
- Altar incense Christ the constantly interceding High Priest Hebrews 7:24-27 But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood.25 Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.26 For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;27 who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. NKJV
- Laver- Christ the eternal cleansing word Hebrews 9:14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? NKJV
- ❖ Veil Christ rent to open the way for all Hebrews 6:19-20 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil,20 where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. NKJV

# COLORS:

- ❖ White perfection: Parallel Luke's Gospel to Greeks Perfect man
- Blue Heaven Perfect God Parallel to John's Gospel of the Deity of Christ
- Scarlet Sacrifice Sacrificing/suffering servant Parallel to Mark's Gospel Christ the Perfect Servant.
- ❖ Purple = Royalty, parallel to Matthew's Gospel of Christ the perfect King.
- The Priesthood Leads to God
- ➤ The Regulations Reflect God

# SYMBOLIC CREATURES - CHERUBIM FACES:

- Face of man humanity Luke
- Face of ox sacrificial Mark
- Face of lion king and power Matthew
- Face of eagle God/Omniscient John

# SYMBOLIC LAYOUT - HEBREWS 9:21-24

- Outer court body
- Holy Place worship and fellowship soul
- Feeding at table
- Walking in the light
- Inner Holy of Holiness
- Communion with God, deep and personal
- Hidden under blood, Romans 3:25, Hebrews 9:5
- Only one place of worship

# Practical Application To Today

# PORTRAIT OF SALVATION (DEHANN)

- Sinner outside must come through one and only door
- Separated from world and cleansed at laver
- Enters into fellowship at the table
- Learning to walk in the light daily (I John 1:7)
- Then, and only then, comes power of prayer at the incense altar
- ❖ Prepared to enter the Holiest of all personal communion with God
- Thus the place of rest and peace through the blood washed mercy seat.

### PICTURE OF SERVICE:

- Priests consecrated
- Priests constantly waiting on the Lord's work
- Prescribed of God specifically

# Table Of Showbread (Davis)

- Perpetual thank offering
- All same regardless of tribal size equal representation
- Pointed to bread of life

# Mercy Seat

- Depicts divine mercy
- Christ accomplished all

# THREE HEBREW WORDS FOR FORGIVENESS IN PSALM 32:

- 1. PULLED OFF: "Forgiven" means literally to have our sin lifted off. As Pilgrim it rolls off and into Christ's tomb. "My sin oh the bliss . . . ". We are being crushed by any sins we keep around. They suffocate, smother and sqush the very life of our soul. But there is a Redeemer who can set us free. And to his only hope, David fled.
- 2. SHEILDED FROM: "Covered" speaks of the strong imagery in the events of the day of atonement. On that day the High priest took the blood of an animal and sprinkled it onto the mercy seat. Above the mercy seat was the presence of God portrayed by the outstretched arms of the cherubim. Beneath the lid of the ark was the tablets portraying God's divine law. In essence, the blood stood between a holy God and the sinners who broke His law, averting His wrath. David cried for joy when the wrath of God was turned away from him. So our sins are covered away by the blood of Jesus shed for us!
- 3. CLEARED OUT: "Not Counted" speaks of a list of debts no longer held against us. David had become utterly bankrupted by his sin. The bills were piling up, mounting like a flood and drowning him. Desire, deceit, cruel deception, cunning craftiness and shameless murder all charged heavy debts to his soul. And now in sheer delight all the mountain of impossible debt is cleared from the ledger. "My sins are gone, and shall not be remembered, God in mercy tenderly forgives."
- God cleansed David's Sin that smothers: now they were forgiven "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven"

- God cleansed David's Sin that soils: now they were covered by the cleansing blood. "Whose sin is covered"
- God cleansed David's Sin that steals: now they were not imputed to his account as debts. "2 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord does not impute iniquity"
- God cleansed David's Sin that slithers: now there was no guile. "And in whose spirit there is no deceit."

CONCLUSION: So that dusty tent glows thru the ages with its matchless portrait of Christ. Lost one, have you yet to stand neath the shadow of the blood to have God's wrath to pass over you? It's only by trusting His finished work that even gives you hope. Christian, do you see the way made open, the rent veil is not only to a salvation of soul, but also, a communion of spirit...Come to the Laver daily; ever be reminded at that brazen altar of the price on Calvary; walk in the glow of the candlesticks of the light of lights and watch the ceaseless rise of the smoke of sweet scent from the incense and let your spirit rise in powerful communion as the ark of God's commitment to His chosen ones majestically stands as His promise to keep His word and perfect His saints. From floor to ceiling, door to door, this portrait divine is ours to live in Christ our Tabernacle.

# THE TABERNACLE<sup>6</sup>

With the Tabernacle again, and its services, we are not left in doubt as to the true meaning. In the Epistle to the Hebrews we are distinctly told that it was "a copy and shadow of the heavenly things" (Hebrews 8:5). It was the outward sign of God's presence in the midst of the camp of Israel God's tent in the midst of their tents; the meeting place between God and man. As such it was a true picture of the Incarnation.

- ❖ "The Word became flesh, and tabernacled among us, and we beheld His glory " (John 1:14).
- ❖ "The Tabernacle of God is with men " (Rev. 21:3).

As a whole it was a type of Christ, and every part of it shows forth something of His glory (Ps. 29:9, margin). God gave every detail of its design to Moses in the mount. "As Moses was admonished of God when he made the Tabernacle: for, See, saith He, that thou make all things according to the pattern shown thee in the mount " (Hebrews 8:5). And over fifty times it is recorded of Moses, "As the Lord commanded Moses, so did he."

How did the Tabernacle appear, viewed from without? A long, black, unattractive tent of badgers' skins. But when we come inside, we find ourselves surrounded by shining gold: looking up to the curtained roof, we see the wings of the cherubim woven in; blue and purple and scarlet and fine twined linen. The light of the golden candlestick reveals all the beauty within. So it is with Christ Himself. The natural man, beholding Him, sees no beauty that he should desire Him. But to those who know the Lord Jesus Christ, His beauty satisfieth their souls.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A.M. Hodgkins, CHRIST IN ALL THE SCRIPTURES, p. 20-23. dtbm backup 091027 - sca#2:dtbm backup 091027:dtbm:mp3:7-2006 sermons:serms 70 80 90:1998:980308pm exodus-03.doc 7/31/11 18

The Tabernacle was protected by a court of pure white linen, held up by sixty pillars, and entered by a curtain of colored material, called the Gate. The walls of the Tabernacle were made of boards of shittim wood overlaid with gold, resting in massive silver sockets sunk into the sand. These sockets were made from the redemption money, paid by every Israelite, thus the whole fabric rested upon a foundation of redemption. (I Peter 1:18-19 "knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." NKJV). The entrance was protected by a curtain called the Door and the Two parts of the Tabernacle itself, the Holy Place and the most Holy, were divided by another curtain - the Veil. Spread over the solid framework of the Tabernacle were four sets of curtains, which formed its only roof, and hung down over the sides, covering it completely.

Now, draw a straight line from the center of the Gate to the Mercy Seat. You go through the Altar, through the Laver, through the Door; you pass the Table of Showbread on your right hand and the Golden Lampstand on your left; through the Altar of Incense, through the Veil, to the Ark, covered by the Mercy Seat, in the Holy of Holies. This is the true Pilgrim's Progress from the camp outside to the immediate presence of God (C. L. Maynard).

The Court was entered by the Gate (John 10:9 "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture." NKJV). This was a curtain. A curtain is the very easiest means of entrance; it is not like a wooden door, at which you have to knock, you can lift it silently. At the time no one need know of the transaction which takes place silently between the soul and its Savior. It may be like Nicodemus, coming by night. But when the curtain is dropped again you are completely inside, not half in and half out as in a doorway-but completely shut off by a sharp dividing line. Inside that Gate you are completely surrounded by the spotless white curtains of the Court.

- As Paul said in Colossians 2:10 "and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power." NKJV;
- ❖ And through His sacrifice 2 Corinthians 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (NKJV)
- ❖ Here the brazen altar of Burnt Offering immediately confronts you. Hebrews 10:12 But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, NKJV
- ❖ Then the Laver. Cleansing as the result of Atonement Zechariah 13:1 "In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness. NKJV

Thus far, every Israelite might enter. Have we come thus far I Have we entered by the Gate, and accepted the Sacrifice, and known the Cleansing. Only the Priests might enter the Tabernacle itself. If we have proved the power of the Cross, Christ calls us to be priests, set apart for His Service. We may enter still farther. The Holy Place is entered by the Door. This again is Christ Himself. He is the means of entrance into every fresh position of blessing. Every spiritual blessing comes with a fresh view of Christ and what He can be to us. He is the one entrance as well for the first step as for

the last. The Gate, the Door, the Veil they were all of the same materials and colors, and the same number of square cubits (20 by 5 or 10 by 10) though the Gate was stretched out wide as if to encompass the breadth of the universal proclamation, " Whosoever will may come."

In the Holy Place were two great gifts: Food and Light "I am the Bread of Life "; "I am the Light of the World.' Then the Golden Altar of Incense (Hebrews 7:25); Christ's continual Intercession by which alone our prayers can ascend to God.

So far, and no farther, the Priests might enter. Into the Holy of Holies only one man, only one day in the year, might enter, and that not without blood. "But Christ being come an High Priest of good things to come . . . by His own blood . . . has entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us," as we read in Hebrews 9, and also has opened up for us a way of access by His blood into the Holiest, into the very, presence of God here and now, as we read in Hebrews 10, The Veil. Hebrews 10:20, "Through the veil, that is to say His flesh." The veil was rent in twain from the top to the bottom at the moment of His death (Matthew 27:51). "From the top to the bottom," the way of access opened by God Himself.

The ark, containing the unbroken Law. Here again we see Christ, who alone kept it completely. The Ark was covered by the Mercy Seat, or, as it should be translated, the Propitiatory Covering. The word in Hebrews 9:5 and Rom. 3:24-25 is the same. The Propitiation is Christ. This is the meeting place between God and man (Exodus 35:22). Above it rested the Shekinah-glory, the symbol of God's presence. It arose from the mercy seat, a pillar of fire by night and cloud by day, spreading out over the whole camp as a protection, and guiding the children of Israel on their march.

THE GREAT HIGH PRIEST. In Aaron we have a picture of our Great High Priest. His garments were all typical. The three ornaments of his dress, which were engraved with a signet, teach a very precious lesson. The onyx stones on his shoulder and the breastplate on his heart were engraved with the names of the children of Israel, that he might bear them before the Lord continually. The plate of the mitre on his forehead was engraved with "holiness to the Lord" to bear the iniquity of their holy things "that they might be accepted before the Lord." On his shoulders, on his forehead, and on his heart. What do we see here but the perfect strength and perfect wisdom and perfect love of our High Priest put forth on our behalf I The Good Shepherd lays the lost sheep "on His shoulder." Christ is "made unto us Wisdom." "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Many of us see the uselessness of an outward priesthood, of any man to come between God and us. But are we equally clear in valuing the inner Reality? Do we feel our utter need of the Lord Jesus as our Great High Priest, and recognize that we cannot draw nigh to God except through His one availing sacrifice?

Aaron, the type, fell short, for he was a sinful man. Jesus Christ is a perfect High Priest. As man He was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin. He is able to sympathize and to succor because He has been through it all. He is able to understand

our need to the uttermost because He was perfect man. He is able to meet our need to the uttermost because He is perfect God. . He was able to bear the whole world's sin in His Atonement on the Cross. He is able to bear the whole world's need in intercession upon the Throne.

Idolatry In Israel (Ex. 31:18-33:23)

- 1. Inscriptions (31:18; 31:15-20; 34:1,28,29), Idolatry (32:1-6,21-29) and Intercession (Fourfold Intercession) of Moses (32:7-14, 30-35)
- 2. How to be alone with God "Alone, Yet Not Alone" (33:12-17)
- 3. See Christ as the Cleft of the Rock (33:18; 34:27)
- ➤ The Renewal of the Covenant (Ex. 34:1-35)
  - 1. The Glow of God's Presence "He Wist Not" (Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Cor 3:28)
- ➤ Building the Sanctuary (Ex. 35:1-40:38)
  - 1. The Gifts of a Willing-Heart (35:1-29; 36:2-7)
  - 2. The Glory of Finished Work (39:32-43; 40:1-38)