

# Exodus 40

## Redemption

### I. MOSES THE DELIVERER Chapters 1 — 11

- A. Slavery in Egypt for 400 years,
- B. Deliverer Born— First 40 years as leader in Egypt
- C. Call of Moses — Second 40 years in desert of Midian: Met with God at burning bush
- D. Return of Moses to Egypt: 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming Accepted
- E. Ultimatum to Pharaoh: Let My people go. 9 plagues each relating a false-god of Egypt

### II. DELIVERANCE FROM BONDAGE Chapters 12 — 14

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- A. Song of Redeemed
- B. Marah: Bitter water made sweet by the Tree
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### V. BLUEPRINT/CONSTRUCTION OF THE TABERNACLE Chapters 25 — 40 [All speaking of Jesus]

- A. Blueprint for Tabernacle — Garments pattern for high priest. Earthly copy of Heavenly things
- B. Spirit Filled/Artistically Skilled Workers for Tabernacle — Sabbath for sign to Israel
- C. Golden Calf/ Mass Execution/Plague: Moses' pleads for Israel's continued existence. Second tablets of the Law penned
- D. Repentance and Obedience: Before I was afflicted I went astray

## I. Tabernacle Kit: Constructed and Arranged

- Construction of tabernacle begins
- People awaiting the Presence of the Lord

1 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 2 "On the first day of the first month you shall set up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. 3 You shall put in it the ark of the Testimony, and partition off the ark with the veil.

### First day of the month One year since set free from Egypt

- Moses is brought the Tabernacle kit...now ready to set up
- Curtains for the Court, the Tent and all that went inside
- Beginning with the Ark for the **Holy of Holies**
  1. Ark led the procession following Pillar Cloud/Fire
  2. Rest of the Tabernacle built around the Ark; i.e. **Person of Christ**
- Christ Centered Lives

**Colossians 3:1** If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

- Lives built on the Foundation of Jesus

**1 Corinthians 3:11** ...no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

- Lives built on the Rock of Living Word of God

**Matthew 7:24** "...whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

- **Holy of Holies:** Ark and the Mercy Seat

**Veil Hung blocking the way to God until Jesus died on cross**

- **First:** Holy of Holies w/access only by High Priest
- **Next:** Holy Place and its Articles where other priests minister

4 You shall bring in the table and arrange the things that are to be set in order on it; and you shall bring in the lampstand and light its lamps. 5 You shall also set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the Testimony, and put up the screen for the door of the tabernacle.

- Articles in the Holy Place outside the veil:
  1. **Table of Showbread:** Fellowship with God
  2. **Golden Lampstand:** Light of God
  3. **Altar of Incense:** Prayer offered to God
- **First:** Holy of Holies for only High Priest
- **Second:** Holy Place and its Articles for common Priests
- **Third:** Outside the Tabernacle...

6 Then you shall set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. 7 And you shall set the laver between the tabernacle of meeting and the altar, and put water in it.

- **Outside the Tent:** Where sin is dealt with/Judgment
  1. **Altar of Burnt Offering:** No forgiveness w/out shedding of blood Heb. 9:22
  2. **Bronze Laver with Water:** No fellowship without the Father w/out washing

8 You shall set up the court all around, and hang up the screen at the court gate.

- Curtain around Tabernacle and forming Outer Court for common worshippers

9 "And you shall take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle and all that is in it; and you shall hallow it and all its utensils, and it shall be holy. 10 You shall anoint the altar of the burnt offering and all its utensils, and consecrate the altar. The altar shall be most holy. 11 And you shall anoint the laver and its base, and consecrate it.

- **Everything Anointed with Oil:** Holy Spirit Leading

12 "Then you shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tabernacle of meeting and wash them with water. 13 You shall put the holy garments on Aaron, and anoint him and consecrate him, that he may minister to Me as priest. 14 And you shall bring his sons and clothe them with tunics. 15 You shall anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may minister to Me as priests; for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations."

- **Priests done with boot camp!**

1. Wash them
2. Dress them
3. Consecrate them
4. Anoint them: Aaron first, then his sons and later their sons

16 Thus Moses did; according to all that the Lord had commanded him, so he did.

- **Moses the Servant:** Did all that the Lord commanded him...so he did

**Exodus 4:10** ...Moses said to the Lord, "O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue."

**Acts 7:22** [Stephen] Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was **mighty in words and deeds.**

- **Apprehensive at first:** Learned over the years to trust God
- **Lord commanded...**so he did!

17 And it came to pass in the first month of the second year, on the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was raised up. 18 So Moses raised up the tabernacle, fastened its sockets, set up its boards, put in its bars, and raised up its pillars. 19 And he spread out the tent over the tabernacle and put the covering of the tent on top of it, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

- Tabernacle was raised up! **Awesome!**

20 [Moses] took the Testimony and put it into the ark, inserted the poles through the rings of the ark, and put the mercy seat on top of the ark. 21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, hung up the veil of the covering, and partitioned off the ark of the Testimony, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

- Stone Tablets with the handwriting of God; Ten Commandments put in Ark
- Poles to carry the Ark inserted
- **Mercy Seat;** Throne of God Placed on top of the Ark and the Written Law

**Mercy triumphs over judgment.**

God desires us to accept His mercy before he must Judge by His Law

**1 Timothy 2:3** [Read] For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself a ransom for all

- Mercy Seat placed over the Written Law

God desires us to accept His mercy before he must Judge by His Law

22 [Moses] put the table in the tabernacle of meeting, on the north side of the tabernacle, outside the veil; 23 and he set the bread in order upon it before the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 24 He put the lampstand in the tabernacle of meeting, across from the table, on the south side of the tabernacle; 25 and he lit the lamps before the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 26 He put the gold altar in the tabernacle of meeting in front of the veil; 27 and he burned sweet incense on it, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 28 He hung up the screen at the door of the tabernacle.

- Final Touches in the Holy Place making way for the Lord
  1. Bread on the Table
  2. Oil in the Lamps
  3. Incense lit and sweet smelling

29 And he put the altar of burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the grain offering, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 30 He set the laver between the tabernacle of meeting and the altar, and put water there for washing; 31 and Moses, Aaron, and his sons would wash their hands and their feet with water from it. 32 Whenever they went into the tabernacle of meeting, and when they came near the altar, they washed, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

- Final Preparations outside the Tabernacle making way for the Lord

#### **Sacrifice and Cleansing before the Lords Arrival**

1. Animal/ Grain sacrifice
2. Laver filled with water

33 And he raised up the court all around the tabernacle and the altar, and hung up the screen of the court gate. **So Moses finished the work.**

- Earthly model of heavenly reality

**Revelation 4:1** [Read] [Heavenly Reality] After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." 2 Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and One sat on the

throne. 3 And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald. 4 Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads. 5 And from the throne proceeded lightnings, thunderings, and voices. Seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. 6 Before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. [Isaiah 6:1-7]

- Moses made copies...

**Hebrews 9:23** 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; 25 not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— 26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

- **Bulls and goats for the copy.** Son of God for the reality...

**Hebrews 9:12** Not with the blood of goats and calves, but **with His own blood** He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

- Moses finishes the Earthly model of Heavenly reality

## II. Shekinah Glory

34 Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. 35 And Moses was not able to enter the tabernacle of meeting, because the cloud rested above it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

- **Shekinah Glory of God fills the Temple**
  1. God is pleased by obedience
  2. "Dwelling/Settling of God's Divine Presence"
- **Shekinah Glory:** Guidance of God

**Exodus 13:21** ...the Lord went before them by day in a **pillar of cloud** to lead the way, and by night in a **pillar of fire** to give them light, so as to go by day and night. 22 He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night from before the people.

1. Guidance of God
2. **Overshadowing of God...**

**Luke 1:35** [To Mary] And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the **Highest will overshadow you**; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

**Luke 2:9** [To Shepherds] And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the **glory of the Lord** shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.

- **Glory:** Weight of God or that which elicits praise

**Matthew 17:1** [Read] Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; 2 and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. 3 And behold, **Moses** and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. 4 Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." 5 While he was still speaking, behold, **a bright cloud overshadowed them**; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!"

- **Moses not able to go in to the Tent of Meeting**
  1. Cloud rested on the Tabernacle
  2. Glory of God filled the Tabernacle
- 500 years later Glory filled the newly dedicated Temple...

**2 Chronicles 7:1** [Place] When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. 2 And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord had filled the Lord's house. 3 When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the Lord, saying: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever."

**Isaiah 6:4** ...the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke.

- Jesus was God's living Temple filled with **God's Glory**

**John 1:14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we **beheld His glory**, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

36 Whenever the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would go onward in all their journeys. 37 But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not journey till the day that it was taken up. 38 For the cloud of the Lord was above the tabernacle by day, and fire was over it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

- When God moved the people moved, When God stopped the people stopped

### **Picture of a Life given over the Holy Spirit's Leading**

**Ezekiel 13:3** "Woe to the foolish prophets, who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing!"

### **True Christians are to be led by the Spirit of God**

**Romans 8:14** ...as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

**[God's Presence]...would go onward in all their journeys** v36

1. Spirit leads us where He desires

**Matthew 4:1** [After Jesus was baptized He] ...was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

1. Spirit leads us where He desires
2. **Spirit shows us what is true...**

**John 16:13** ... when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

1. Spirit leads us where He desires
2. Spirit shows us what is true
3. **Spirit speaks to us...**

**John 10:27** My sheep **hear My voice**, and I know them, and they follow Me.

**Isaiah 30:21** Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand Or whenever you turn to the left.

- Leading of the Holy Spirit today as the Shekinah Glory then...
  1. Spirit leads us where He desires
  2. Spirit shows us what is true
  3. **Spirit speaks to us...**Go here/there speak this/that

- When God moved the people moved, When God stopped the people stopped

**Exodus 33:14** ..."God" said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

**God's Desire was/is to Lead His People from Bondage  
To the freedom of Trusting Him**

**Exodus begins with the Darkness of Bondage and ends with Hope in Glory of God**