



## "I AM DWELLING WITH YOU"

VERSES & NOTES
WHAT DID YOU OBSERVE FROM THIS WEEK ABOUT GOD AND HIS CHARACTER?
WHAT DID THE MESSAGE TEACH ABOUT THE CONDITION OF MANKIND AND YOURSELF?
HOW DID THIS MESSAGE POINT TO THE GOSPEL?
WHAT STEPS CAN YOU TAKE THIS WEEK TO APPLY WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED?

## "Then the cloud covered the Tabernacle of Congregation, and the glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle." Exodus 40:34

Exodus 40 is a powerful passage that highlights God's presence and dwelling among His people.

The cloud covering the tent of meeting and the glory of the Lord filling the tabernacle signify God's acceptance of the work done and His promise to be with His people as they journey forward. This divine presence is a testament to God's faithfulness and His desire to dwell with those who seek Him.

The passage also emphasizes the importance of obedience and faith. After the golden calf incident, God's presence was still with the Israelites, indicating that despite their mistakes, God remained committed to His covenant. This teaches us that even in our imperfections, God's grace and presence are available to us.

In this devotional context, this passage can remind us of the significance of God's presence in our lives. Just as God's glory filled the tabernacle, we too can experience His presence through the Holy Spirit. This presence is not just a passive accompaniment but an active force that guides, comforts, and transforms us.

The cloud that covered the tabernacle and the pillar of fire that guided the Israelites symbolizes God's guidance, and protection. As we face our own journeys and challenges, we can trust in God's leading and seek His presence in our lives. Moreover, this passage points to the ultimate fulfillment of God's presence through Jesus Christ, just as the cloud represented God's presence in the Old Testament, the coming of Jesus was the ultimate manifestation of God's presence on earth. Jesus the true tabernacle, came to dwell among us, offering redemption and a way to experience God's presence fully.

Exodus 40 serves as a reminder of God's unchanging presence and His desire to be with us, guiding and transforming us as we journey through life. Throughout all their journey's, the book of Exodus ends with great hope and trust in God. Though Israel was in the middle of a desolate desert, had fierce enemies in the Promised Land, and was weak and liable to sin and rebellion, God was with them. This gave them great cause for faith and confidence.

"To speak of a journey is to look for an arrival: He who has begun work of salvation for Israel will complete it"

Philippians 1:6