

**LESSONS THIS QUARTER**

- 1) 07 Mar..... Ex 1-4..... Compassionate Action
- 2) 14 Mar..... Ex 5-10..... Divine Purpose
- 3) 21 Mar..... Ex 11-13..... Amazing Deliverance
- 4) 28 Mar..... Ex 13-15..... Persevering Faith
- 5) 04 Apr..... Luke 24..... Easter Sunday
- 6) 11 Apr..... Ex 15-18..... Tested Devotion
- 7) 18 Apr..... Ex 19-24..... What Are Your Ground Rules
- 8) 25 Apr..... Ex 25-31..... Why do You Worship?
- 9) 02 May..... Ex 32-34..... What If You Falter?
- 10) 09 May..... Ex 35-40..... How Do You Contribute?**
- 11) 16 May..... Lev 1-16..... Do Right When You Do Wrong
- 12) 23 May..... Lev 17-22..... Stay Away from Perverted Practices
- 13) 30 May..... Lev 23-27..... Show Others Godly Grace

**INTRODUCTION**

- The Israelites begin to build the artifacts of the Tabernacle according to God’s instructions – but it takes unique materials and unique talent

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Normatively – God providentially directs a person’s career so specific skills would be developed over time</li> <li>♦ In either case, God can be given the credit for bestowing talents on His people</li> </ul>
Exodus 36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• vv3-6. A freewill love offering was so successful the people had to be told to STOP GIVING!</li> <li>• More Tabernacle artifacts are crafted [curtains, coverings, screens and the veil]</li> </ul>
Exodus 37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Furnishings inside the Tabernacle [The Ark, with its solid gold mercy seat, tables, utensils, lampstands, altars, anointing oil, and incense]</li> </ul>
Exodus 38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Furnishings for the Courtyard are crafted [Altar of burnt offering, more curtains]</li> <li>• The amount of gold, silver, bronze were added up and in today’s \$\$\$ would be multiple millions if not billions</li> </ul>
Exodus 39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priestly garments and breastplate are crafted</li> <li>• Everything is completed</li> <li>• v43 – So Moses blessed them (HOW?)</li> <li>♦ Probably with a vocal blessing for prosperity</li> <li>♦ Compare how King David blessed his people by providing “each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins” ..... 2Sam 6:19</li> </ul>
Exodus 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Tabernacle artifacts are properly arranged</li> <li>• vv11-15. The priests are formally anointed or segregated for service</li> <li>• v34. God is so pleased with what His people accomplished He covers and fills the tabernacle in a cloud so not even Moses can enter in</li> <li>• v36-38...and for 40 years this cloud covering provided the way for the Israelites to proceed</li> </ul>

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Exodus 35	<p><b>Tough Laws, Motivation, &amp; Skill Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• vv1-3. Sabbath rules are very specific                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Even making a fire to warm the house or to prepare a meal are forbidden</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Remember – if the Israelites could keep God’s commandments, as harsh as they may seem to us, they would reap the following benefits:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No wars with their neighbors.....</li> <li>2. No sickness among their people .....</li> <li>3. No poor in the land .....</li> <li>4. No lack of food or water .....</li> <li>5. No lack of good leadership .....</li> </ol> </li> <li>• vv4-5. God commands that an offering be taken up from those who have a willing heart                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ What’s the difference between being motivated to serve God and being manipulated?</li> <li>♦ What are some of the indicators of being <b>manipulated</b>?                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 stanzas of “Just as I AM” while being coaxed to walk the aisle?</li> <li>• Constant and consistent emotional pleas?</li> <li>• Eloquent speeches with a Guilt trip?</li> </ul> </li> <li>♦ What are some of the indicators of being properly <b>motivated</b>?                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The needs are shared and our responsibilities are highlighted?</li> <li>• The leaders encourage people to do the right things and avoid the wrong things</li> <li>• The leaders lead by example</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• v30-35. God endows a special man (Bezalel) with multiple talents to work with Metals, Stone, Wood, Clothing and to teach his skills to others                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ How can you tell if someone has been specially endowed by God with certain talents or if those talents are developed over time?                                     <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Miraculous – Someone is endowed such as in 1Cor – One day someone does not have a gift or talent and the next day they do</li> </ol> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**NEXT WEEK:** Lev 1-16 – The types of purposes of various offerings and ceremonial laws and their application for us



"Maybe we should call off the ceremony. I don't think I'm quite ready for a trip to the altar."