

## Family Worship Guide Week 20

### Exodus 34-40, Psalm 17

#### Day One: Exodus 34:1-10,17-30

- This passages reveals to us the covenant that God made with his people on Mt. Sinai. Notice how God revealed himself to Moses. The merciful, gracious God who was slow to anger showed mercy to the people of Israel by establishing a covenant with his people. We see the end goal of the covenant as Moses comes down with his face glowing. The presence and glory of God is what we are striving for, and he is worth everything. While Israel would never fulfill their end of the covenant, God ultimately fulfilled his promise here with the person of Jesus Christ. As you read these chapters with your children, never forget to look at how Christ connects with these passages. Jesus fulfilled what we could not.
- **Bottom Line:** God establishes his covenant with Moses
- **Questions:** What do you think it will be like when you see God? Why was Moses' glowing? How can we experience God like Moses did?

#### Day Two: Exodus 35:1-29

- What are you willing to give to the Lord? Do you seek to serve God and the church, or do you expect the church to serve you? Passages like these are challenging to our mindsets about where our place is in the church. God commanded the Israelites to build a tabernacle for him, and that this tabernacle would be built from contributions from the Israelites. It was each persons responsibility to give to the Lord so that his tabernacle could be built. It says that their hearts were stirred to give. It was an act of worship to give to the Lord? What is your attitude about giving? Does your heart worship God when you give your tithe and offerings?
- **Bottom Line:** Our gifts to God should come from a heart of generosity?
- **Questions:** Ask your kids what they have to give to God? How can they be more generous with what God has given them? If you have young children it would be good to give them a small amount to tithe each week to encourage obedience to God.

#### Day Three: Exodus 35:30-36:9, 36:20-37:9

- *\*\*Please use of the illustration of the tabernacle at the bottom of this worship guide to illustrate today's scriptures.*
- Scriptures like these are some of the hardest to read in the bible. We read over the endless descriptions of the length and materials wondering why in the world God commanded this to be in the bible. Yet, here he is painting a beautiful picture of the gospel that would be fulfilled with the coming of Jesus. Every piece of furniture paints a different picture of who Jesus was and what he was accomplishing. It paints our need for a Savior, and illustrates how God goes about Saving his people. Take time to go through each piece of furniture in the tabernacle and use it to share the gospel with your children.
- **Bottom Line:** God saves sinners.
- **Questions:** Which piece of furniture do you identify with the most? Why is it important to know that you are a sinner? What made Jesus better than the tabernacle?

#### Day Four: Exodus Exodus 40:1-15, 34-38

- God filled the tabernacle. When you went into the tent of meetings, you would be surrounded by the presence of God. We look at passages like this and wonder "How amazing is that! You actually got to meet with God!" Make you doubt about it,

from this passage we read that to be surrounded by the glory of God was a majestic sight to behold. The beauty of this is that God doesn't fill the tabernacle anymore. Agricola Baptist Church is not a special building where God's Spirit resides. God's Spirit now rests in the hearts of believers. We as Christians have the same spirit of God living in us that was in the tabernacle.

- **Bottom Line:** Asking God to show us His glory is how we should live.
- **Questions:** Think of a time you felt God's spirit work in you? How has having the Holy Spirit living inside of you changed your life?

## Day Five: Psalm 17

- God is our refuge when we are surrounded by enemies. Through this psalm we see the importance of our own relationship with God, and the refuge God brings. David knew that he was in good standing with God, and that God would give him deliverance.
- **Bottom Line:** God is our refuge now and through eternity.
- **Questions:** Take time to all confess your sins before God and praise God for being there with you when no one else will.

## Pray

- ❖ Pray for our church as we search for a new music minister. Pray that God would lead us to the right man. Pray for the church as we seek to grow spiritually over this next year, and as we seek to reach the lost world.

## Memorize

**Psalm 17:15 "As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake, I shall be satisfied with your likeness."**

# The Message of The Tabernacle

The tabernacle was given by God as a display of truth. Each item in the tabernacle served as a visual aid, reminding God's people of his character, comforting them with his grace, and assuring them of the hope he extends to sinners.



Key: Each piece of furniture...

● Showed the sinner's need

● Symbolized God's temporary provision

● Pointed to a greater fulfillment in the coming Messiah

The Lampstand  
God gives light to sinners



The Ark  
God reigns over sinners



The Tabernacle  
God lives among sinners



The Laver  
God cleanses sinners



The Altar  
God saves sinners



The Curtain  
God is separate from sinners



The Incense  
God hears sinners



The Showbread  
God fellowships with sinners



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