

THE GOSPEL STORY
God Wants to Be With You
Exodus 38-40; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Exodus in Three Parts:

- Domination by Egypt (Exodus 1-12)
- Liberation from Egypt (Exodus 13-18)
- Revelation after Egypt (Exodus 19-40)

Exodus – Chapters 35-40:

- “Take Two” – Israel gets it right and obeys God.

Exodus – Chapter 38:

- **Exodus 38:1-2**
- The Bronze Altar – where the blood of sacrifices was shed:
 - “Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins” (Hebrews 9:22b)
- The Wash Basin (laver) of Bronze:
 - **Exodus 38:8**
 - Made from an offering of mirrors
 - **1 Timothy 1:17**
 - Why is bronze used in the articles of the tabernacle (i.e. The Altar)?
- The Courtyard:
 - **Exodus 38:21-29**
 - Shekels are not coins, but a measurement of weight.
 - This offering in modern-day terms:
 - 5 million dollars of gold
 - 4 million dollars of silver
 - 7 thousand dollars of bronze
 - The total offering was approximately 10 million dollars in precious metals.

Exodus – Chapter 39:

- **Exodus 39:1, 5, 7, 21, 26, 29, 31**
- Notice the repeated phrase, “As the Lord commanded Moses.”
- We learn a few things from the Israelites:
 - What not to do
 - **1 Corinthians 10:6-8**
 - What to do
 - gathered in unity to worship God
 - gave generously to God
 - fully devoted to God

- The Priest's Clothing:
 - There were 8 articles of clothing and 4 of those articles were worn only by the High Priest.
 - Ephod (Exodus 39:2-7)
 - Breastplate (Exodus 39:8-21)
 - Crown (Exodus 28:36-38)
 - Blue Robe (Exodus 39:22-26)
 - The High Priest removed his royal/golden garments only for the sacrifice on the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur – Leviticus 16:4)
 - **Philippians 2:6-8**
 - **Exodus 39:42-43**

Exodus – Chapter 40:

- **Exodus 40:1-2**
- The dedication of the Tabernacle – the place where God dwells
 - Exodus chapter 40 is where the whole old covenant begins. Up until now it's all been in the planning stages.
 - Also up until now, "The Tent of Meeting" and "The Tabernacle" were two separate places.
 - Now they are combined because the two are now one (Exodus 40:1), where the glory of the Lord will rest.
 - **Exodus 40:3, 16-18**
 - **Exodus 40:20-23**
- After all was completed, "Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle." (Exodus 40:34)
 - Why? Why is this so important?
 - **Exodus 25:8**
 - God exercises His Divine Determination to be with us.
 - **1 Corinthians 6:19-20**