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Birth of Moses

Exodus 1 and 2

Memory verse: “She called his name Moses, “‘Because,’ she said, ‘I drew him out of the water.’” Exodus 2: 10

Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. Come, let us deal shrewdly (cleverly or using good judgment) with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens... But the more they were oppressed (treated badly), the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread (fear) of the people of Israel. So they ruthlessly (cruelly) made the people of Israel work as slaves and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field...

Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives... “When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women ...if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and let the male children live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. ... Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile (River), but you shall let every daughter live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of bulrushes and daubed coated it with bitumen and pitch (things to make the basket waterproof). She put the child in it and placed it among the reeds by the river bank. And his sister stood at a distance to know what would be done to him.

Now the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while

her young women walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her servant woman, and she took it. When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She took pity on him and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children."

Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and call you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go." So the girl went and called the child's mother.

And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed him. When the child grew older, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, "Because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Lessons to learn: God took care of his people, and they did well in Egypt even when Pharaoh mistreated them.

God took care of Moses so he did not die.

Moses would grow up to obey God and help God's people.

God takes care of the people who obey Him today, too.

True or False

- _____ 1. Pharaoh treated the Israelites well because there were so many of them.
- _____ 2. Pharaoh ordered that all Israelite babies were to be killed.
- _____ 3. The Israelites made bricks, built cities, and worked in the fields.
- _____ 4. Moses' mother put him in a basket floating down the Nile River.
- _____ 5. Miriam got Moses' own mother to take care of him until he was old enough to leave her.
- _____ 6. Pharaoh's daughter took Moses to be her own son.

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Short answer:

7. What was the horrible order Pharaoh gave about the baby boys? _____

8. How do we know that Moses' mother loved him very much? _____

9. Is it right to kill babies and other people who don't do anything wrong?

10. Who found the baby? _____

11. Who got the baby's mother to nurse him? _____

Remember this:

12. Tell at least two things that show that God was still taking care of His people.

13. Why did Pharaoh's daughter name the baby Moses? _____

14. Who, besides God, was watching over baby Moses when he was in the river?

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15. What does this story tell us about when bad things happen to God's people today? Read the lessons to learn again, and ask your parents if you need help.

16. What do you do when bad things happen to you? Write an answer **OR** draw a picture.



2

Moses Leaves Egypt

Exodus 2

Memory verse: “Then Moses was afraid, and thought, “Surely the thing is known.” Exodus 2: 14

One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, “Why do you strike your companion?”

He answered, “Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid, and thought, “Surely the thing is known.” When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled (ran) from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian. And he sat down by a well.

Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came and drew water and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. The shepherds came and drove them away, but Moses stood up and saved them, and watered their flock. When they came home to their father Reuel (or Jethro), he said, “How is it that you have come home so soon today?”

They said, “An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds and even drew water for us and watered the flock.”

He said to his daughters, “Then where is he? Why have you left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread.” And Moses was content to dwell (live) with the man, and he gave Moses his daughter Zipporah (zi-pohr-uh). She gave birth to a son, and he called his name Gershom, for he said, “I have been a sojourner (a person who stays in a place for a short time) in a foreign land.”

During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned (cried out in pain or despair) because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant (agreement) with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. God saw the people of Israel— and God knew.

Lessons to Learn: Moses was trying to protect a Hebrew, but he did not have the right to kill the Egyptian.

When Moses ran to Midian, God was still taking care of him.

Moses was kind and defended Jethro's daughters and helped them water the flock.

Jethro was also kind and invited Moses to his home.

God knew what was happening to His people and He remembered his promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to give them the land of Canaan.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Moses knew the Hebrews were his people.
- _____ 2. Moses hid the man he killed in the sand.
- _____ 3. The two Hebrews were thankful that Moses had defended Hebrews from the Egyptians.
- _____ 4. Jethro's daughters came home early because Moses helped them.
- _____ 5. Moses' wife was named Gershom.

Short Answer:

- 6. What was Moses doing when he saw the Egyptian beating the Hebrew man? _____
- _____
- 7. Why was Moses afraid when he talked to the two Hebrew men? _____
- _____
- 8. What happened when Pharaoh heard that Moses had killed the Egyptian man? _____
- _____
- 9. To which land did Moses run away? _____

10. What are the two names given for Moses' father-in-law? _____

Remember this:

11. Moses might have thought he was defending the Hebrew man, but was it his job to punish/kill the Egyptian? _____ What did Moses do before he killed the Egyptian that showed he didn't want to get into trouble? _____

12. How did Moses show kindness for strangers? _____

13. How did Jethro show kindness for a stranger? _____

14. Why did Moses name his son Gershom? _____

15. What does the Bible say that shows that God still meant to take care of His people? _____



3

The Burning Bush

Exodus 3 – 4:17

Memory verse: “God said to Moses, ‘I Am that I Am.’” Exodus 3: 14

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb (or Sinai), the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed (burned up). And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.”

When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!”

And he said, “Here I am.”

Then He said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” And He said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, ...And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression (mistreatment) with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”

But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”

He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?”

God said to Moses, “I AM who I AM.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say

this to the people of Israel, ...and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, "I have observed you and what has been done to you in Egypt, and I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to... a land flowing with milk and honey.'" And they will listen to your voice, and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; and now, please let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God.' But I know that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless compelled (forced) by a mighty hand. So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all the wonders that I will do in it; after that he will let you go. And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians; and when you go, you shall not go empty, but each woman shall ask of her neighbor, and any woman who lives in her house, for silver and gold jewelry, and for clothing. You shall put them on your sons and on your daughters. So you shall plunder (rob) the Egyptians."

Then Moses answered, "But behold, they will not believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, 'The Lord did not appear to you.'"

The Lord said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A staff."

And He said, "Throw it on the ground." So he threw it on the ground, and it became a serpent, and Moses ran from it. But the Lord said to Moses, "Put out your hand and catch it by the tail"—so he put out his hand and caught it, and it became a staff in his hand— "that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you."

Again, the Lord said to him, "Put your hand inside your cloak." And he put his hand inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous like snow. Then God said, "Put your hand back inside your cloak." So he put his hand back inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, it was restored like the rest of his flesh. "If they will not believe you," God said, "or listen to the first sign, they may believe the latter sign..."

But Moses said to the Lord, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent (a good speaker), either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue."

Then the Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak."

But he said, "Oh, my Lord, please send someone else." Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses and he said, "Is there not

Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. Behold, he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you both what to do. He shall speak for you to the people, and he shall be your mouth, and you shall be as God to him. And take in your hand this staff, with which you shall do the signs.”

Lessons to Learn: God never tells anyone to do anything that is too hard for him to do.

God had a plan to save His people and take them out of Egypt.

Moses should have obeyed God without making excuses.

We should obey God without making excuses, too.

True or False:

_____ 1. Moses became a shepherd after he left Egypt.

_____ 2.. Moses was ready to obey God right away.

_____ 3. The ground Moses stood on by the burning bush was holy because God was there.

_____ 4. Because Moses did not speak well, Aaron would talk to Pharaoh.

_____ 5. Moses’ rod turned into a snake when he picked it up.

Short Answer:

6. Why was the bush strange? _____

7. Who talked to Moses from the bush? _____

8. Read Exodus 3:5 and fill in the blanks. “Do not come near; take your _____ off your _____, for the place on which you are standing is _____.”

9. Why did Moses think he couldn't go to Egypt for God? _____

10. What was Moses to say when the Hebrews asked the name of God
who had sent him? _____

Remember this:

11. What was the first miracle that God did with Moses' staff in this lesson?

12. What were the next miracles that God did to Moses? _____

13. God promised to bring the Children of Israel (Hebrews) out of Egypt
into the land of _____ and _____. What land
had God promised to them? _____
God always keeps His promises.

14. God expects us to obey right away without any argument or excuses.
So, when should you obey your parents? Circle the right answers.

When you want to **When they really get angry**

Right away **After they count to three**

The first time they say something

Only when you agree with them

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15. God gave the miracles for Moses to do “that they may believe that the _____, the God of their fathers, the God of _____, the God of _____, and the God of _____, has appeared to you.” Exodus 4:5

16. God would make the Egyptian people give His people _____, _____, and _____ when they left Egypt.



4

Pharaoh Adds More Burdens For Israel

Exodus 5

Memory verse: ‘Let My people go, that they may hold a feast to Me in the wilderness.’ Exodus 5:1

Moses and Aaron went and said to Pharaoh, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘Let My people go, that they may hold a feast to Me in the wilderness.’”

But Pharaoh said, “Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, and moreover, I will not let Israel go.”

Then they said, “The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Please let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God, lest He fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword.”

But the king of Egypt said to them, “Moses and Aaron, why do you take the people away from their work? Get back to your burdens.” And Pharaoh said, “Behold, the people of the land are now many, and you make them rest from their burdens!” The same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people and their foremen, “You shall no longer give the people straw to make bricks, as in the past; let them go and gather straw for themselves. But the number of bricks that they made in the past you shall impose on them, you shall by no means reduce it, for they are idle. (Pharaoh wanted the Israelites to keep making the same number of bricks even though they had to find their own straw.) Therefore they cry, ‘Let us go and offer sacrifice to our God.’ Let heavier work be laid on the men that they may labor at it and pay no regard to lying words.”

So the taskmasters and the foremen of the people went out and said to the people, “Thus says Pharaoh, ‘I will not give you straw. Go and get your straw yourselves wherever you can find it, but your work will not be reduced in the least.’” So the people were scattered throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw. The taskmasters were urgent, saying, “Complete your work, your daily task each day, as when there was straw.” And the foremen of the people of Israel, whom Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten and were asked, “Why have you not done all your task of making bricks today and yesterday, as in the past?”

Then the foremen of the people of Israel came and cried to Pharaoh, “Why do you treat your servants like this? No straw is given to your

servants, yet they say to us, ‘Make bricks!’ And behold, your servants are beaten; but the fault is in your own people.”

But he said, “You are idle (not busy), you are idle; that is why you say, ‘Let us go and sacrifice to the Lord.’ Go now and work. No straw will be given you, but you must still deliver the same number of bricks.”

The foremen of the people of Israel saw that they were in trouble when they said, “You shall by no means reduce your number of bricks, your daily task each day.” They met Moses and Aaron, who were waiting for them, as they came out from Pharaoh; and they said to them, “The Lord look on you and judge, because you have made us stink in the sight of Pharaoh and his servants, and have put a sword in their hand to kill us.”

Then Moses turned to the Lord and said, “O Lord, why have you done evil to this people? Why did You ever send me? For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has done evil to this people, and You have not delivered Your people at all.”

Lessons to Learn: Pharaoh did not realize God’s power, and he didn’t think that he had to listen to Him.

Pharaoh made the Israelites’ slavery even harder by making them find their own straw for bricks.

The Israelites blamed Moses and Aaron for the extra work.

Moses blamed God for the extra work given to the Israelites.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Moses and Aaron asked Pharaoh to let the Israelites go three days journey into the wilderness.
- _____ 2. Pharaoh accused Moses and Aaron of taking the Israelites away from their work.
- _____ 3. Since they had to gather their own straw, the Israelites didn’t have to make as many bricks as they used to make.
- _____ 4. The Israelite foremen were beaten when the Israelites didn’t make as many bricks as they had made in the past.
- _____ 5. The Israelites acted like they had faith that God would help them.

Short Answer:

6. What reason did Moses and Aaron give Pharaoh for letting their people go into the wilderness? _____
7. Fill in the blanks to show Pharaoh's answer. **“Who is the _____, that I should _____ His voice and let _____ go? I do not know the _____, and moreover, I will _____ let _____ go.”**
8. Were there many or few Israelites in Egypt? How do you know? _____
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9. Pharaoh put heavier burdens or work on the Israelites so they would not have time to listen to the _____ words of Moses and Aaron.
10. When the Israelite foremen spoke to Moses and Aaron after talking to Pharaoh, they said the Lord would Judge Moses and Aaron for _____
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Remember this:

11. Why had Pharaoh put the Israelites to work as slaves in the first place? Exodus 1: 9 – 11. _____
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12. Was Moses discouraged because of what Pharaoh did in this lesson? _____
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13. It is important to remember that even when bad things happen to God's people, God knows and God is in control. His good plan will work out. Read Isaiah 14: 24. God says,

“As I have _____, so shall it be, and as I have _____, (planned) so shall it _____.”

14. God's plan was to take the Israelites to Canaan, the Promised Land. To whom had God promised the land of Canaan? A _____, I _____, and J _____.

15. Read Deuteronomy 7: 9 and fill in the blanks.

“Know therefore that the _____ your God is _____, the _____ God who keeps _____ (agreement, promise) and steadfast _____ with those who _____ Him and keep his _____, to a thousand generations.”



5

Moses And Aaron Before Pharaoh

Exodus 6 – 7:13

Memory verse: “I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel..., and I have remembered My covenant.” Exodus 6:5

But the Lord said to Moses, “Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land.” God spoke to Moses and said to him, “I am the Lord. I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by My name the Lord I did not make Myself known to them. I also established My covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners (lived temporarily). Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered My covenant. Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be My people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the Lord.’”

Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh (cruel) slavery.

So the Lord said to Moses, “Go in, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the people of Israel go out of his land.”

But Moses said to the Lord, “Behold, the people of Israel have not listened to me. How then shall Pharaoh listen to me, for I am of uncircumcised lips?”

But the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron and gave them a charge about the people of Israel and about Pharaoh king of Egypt: to bring the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

And the Lord said to Moses, “See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron shall be your prophet. You shall speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron shall tell Pharaoh to let the people of Israel go out of his land. But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, Pharaoh will

not listen to you. Then I will lay My hand on Egypt and bring My hosts, My people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great acts of judgment. The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch out My hand against Egypt and bring out the people of Israel from among them.”

Moses and Aaron did so; they did just as the Lord commanded them. Now Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron eighty-three years old, when they spoke to Pharaoh.

Then the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, “When Pharaoh says to you, ‘Prove yourselves by working a miracle,’ then you shall say to Aaron, ‘Take your staff and cast it down before Pharaoh, that it may become a serpent.’”

So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the Lord commanded. Aaron cast down his staff before Pharaoh and his servants, and it became a serpent. Then Pharaoh summoned the wise men and the sorcerers, and they, the magicians of Egypt, also did the same by their secret arts. For each man cast down his staff, and they became serpents. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. Still Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

Lessons to Learn: God had made a covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to give them the land of Canaan.

God knew that Pharaoh would harden his heart to disobey God.

God would do signs and wonders (miracles) so that the Egyptians would know that He was the Lord.

The magicians used a trick so that it seemed that they had done the same thing that Aaron had done; but Aaron’s staff swallowed up their staffs.

True or False:

- _____ 1. God did not make Himself known to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by the name “the Lord.”
- _____ 2. The people of Israel were to be God’s people.
- _____ 3. God knew that Pharaoh would not listen to Moses and Aaron.
- _____ 4. The wise men, sorcerers, and magicians did the same miracle that Aaron did.
- _____ 5. Moses was a prophet for Aaron.

Short Answer:

6. What name did God tell Moses and Aaron to use to tell the people of Israel about Him? _____
7. God had made a covenant to give His people the land of _____
8. Give two reasons that the people of Israel did not listen to Moses and Aaron. ---“because of their _____ and _____.”
9. Is a magic trick the same as a miracle? _____
10. When Pharaoh would not listen to Moses and Aaron, the Bible says his _____ was _____.

Remember this:

11. Did God know what would happen with Pharaoh and the Israelites?

12. God said, “I will harden Pharaoh's heart.” Choose the answer that tells what this really means.

God made Pharaoh disobey Him

**God allowed Pharaoh to make his own choice
to obey or disobey God.**

13. God said that He would bring the Israelites out of Egypt “with great acts of _____,” and “I multiply my _____

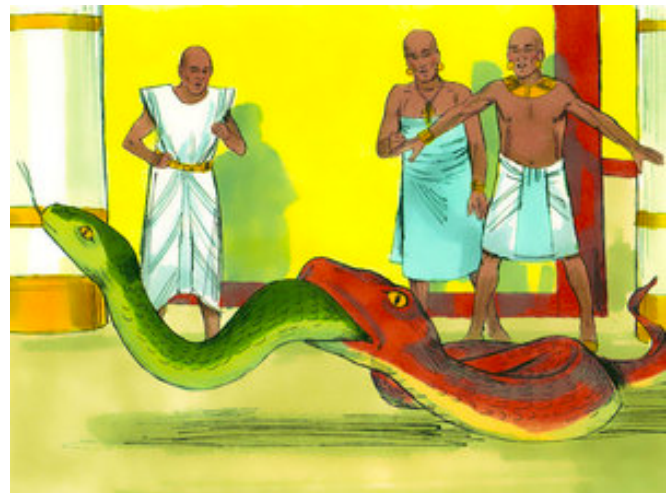
and _____ in the land of Egypt...” These are other words for the miracles that we call the ten plagues.

14. Moses was _____ years old, and Aaron _____ years old.

What does that show about people who can do good things for God?

(Ask your parents for ideas if you don't know.)

15. God said that Pharaoh would say, “Prove yourselves by working a miracle.” The miracles would prove that _____ was with Moses and Aaron.



6

The First Plague

Exodus 7:14-25

Memory verse: “Thus says the Lord, “By this you shall know that I am the Lord.” Exodus 7:17

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Pharaoh's heart is hardened; he refuses to let the people go. Go to Pharaoh in the morning, as he is going out to the water. Stand on the bank of the Nile to meet him, and take in your hand the staff that turned into a serpent. And you shall say to him, ‘The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, sent me to you, saying, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me in the wilderness.” But so far, you have not obeyed. Thus says the Lord, “By this you shall know that I am the Lord: behold, with the staff that is in my hand I will strike the water that is in the Nile, and it shall turn into blood. The fish in the Nile shall die, and the Nile will stink, and the Egyptians will grow weary of drinking water from the Nile.”’”

And the Lord said to Moses, “Say to Aaron, ‘Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, their canals, and their ponds, and all their pools of water, so that they may become blood, and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, even in vessels of wood and in vessels of stone.’”

Moses and Aaron did as the Lord commanded. In the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants he lifted up the staff and struck the water in the Nile, and all the water in the Nile turned into blood. And the fish in the Nile died, and the Nile stank, so that the Egyptians could not drink water from the Nile. There was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

But the magicians of Egypt did the same by their secret arts. So Pharaoh's heart remained hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said. Pharaoh turned and went into his house, and he did not take even this to heart. And all the Egyptians dug along the Nile for water to drink, for they could not drink the water of the Nile.

Seven full days passed after the Lord had struck the Nile.

Lessons to Learn: A plague is a terrible calamity (trouble) or the judgment of God.

The plague, which was a miracle, would show Pharaoh that God was the Lord.

The magicians were able to do a trick that looked like God's miracle. Pharaoh had many chances to change and obey God, but he did not. God took care of his people, the Israelites, while the Egyptians were plagued.

God takes care of His people today.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Pharaoh was worried about what God might do to Him and the Egyptians.
- _____ 2. The miracle that Aaron did with his rod made Pharaoh change his mind.
- _____ 3. The Egyptian magicians were able to do miracles just like God did through Aaron.
- _____ 4. There was no water for the Egyptians to drink.
- _____ 5. This plague went on for a week. (seven days)

Short Answer:

6. When and where did Moses and Aaron find Pharaoh? _____

7. What was the name of the main river in Egypt? _____

8. Not only the river would turn to blood. The water in _____,
and _____, and all their _____ of water,... even in
vessels of _____ and in vessels of _____.

9. When the water turned to blood, what other bad things would happen?

10. How did the Egyptians get water to drink? _____

Remember this:

11. Pharaoh said, “Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, and ...I will not let Israel go.”
Who is God ruler over- just His people or all the people in the world?

12. When the Egyptian magicians seemed to copy God’s miracle turning water to blood, they were just using _____.

13. Another time Jesus changed water into something else. Do you remember what it was? Ask your parents or read John 2: 1-11.

14. The Bible explains what Pharaoh did when his heart was hardened. Fill in the blanks using this lesson.

“Pharaoh's heart is hardened; he _____ to let the _____.

“Pharaoh's heart remained hardened, and he would not _____ to them.”



7

The Second Plague: Frogs

Exodus 8:1-15

Memory verse: “Go in to Pharaoh and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me.”’” Exodus 8:1

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go in to Pharaoh and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me. But if you refuse to let them go, behold, I will plague all your country with frogs. The Nile shall swarm with frogs that shall come up into your house and into your bedroom and on your bed and into the houses of your servants and your people, and into your ovens and your kneading bowls. The frogs shall come up on you and on your people and on all your servants.”’”

And the Lord said to Moses, “Say to Aaron, ‘Stretch out your hand with your staff over the rivers, over the canals and over the pools, and make frogs come up on the land of Egypt!’” So Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frogs came up and covered the land of Egypt. But the magicians did the same by their secret arts and made frogs come up on the land of Egypt.

Then Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron and said, “Plead with (beg) the Lord to take away the frogs from me and from my people, and I will let the people go to sacrifice to the Lord.”

Moses said to Pharaoh, “Be pleased to command me when I am to plead (beg) for you and for your servants and for your people, that the frogs be cut off from you and your houses and be left only in the Nile.”

And he said, “Tomorrow.”

Moses said, “Be it as you say, so that you may know that there is no one like the Lord our God. The frogs shall go away from you and your houses and your servants and your people. They shall be left only in the Nile.” So Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh, and Moses cried to the Lord about the frogs, as he had agreed with Pharaoh. And the Lord did according to the word of Moses. The frogs died out in the houses, the courtyards, and the fields. And they gathered them together in heaps, and the land stank. But when Pharaoh saw that there was a respite (a break or a time of relief), he hardened his heart and would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

Lessons to Learn: Because Pharaoh would not listen and obey God, God sent terrible plagues on the Egyptians.

Pharaoh had many chances to change and obey God, but he did not. Pharaoh lied about letting the Israelites go. It is always wrong to lie. God took care of his people, the Israelites, while the Egyptians were plagued.

God takes care of His people today

True or False:

- _____ 1. This time God warned Pharaoh about the frogs He would send before He sent them.
- _____ 2. God let Pharaoh choose whether to obey Him or disobey Him.
- _____ 3. The magicians could get rid of the frogs for Pharaoh.
- _____ 4. Pharaoh kept his word to let the Israelites go.
- _____ 5. God got rid of all the frogs except for the ones that lived in the Nile river.

Short Answer:

6. “Swarm” means move in large numbers. Where would frogs swarm?

7. Where would frogs come? - “into your _____ and into your _____ and on your _____ and into the _____ of your servants and your people, and into your _____ and your _____.”

8. God caused the frogs to die. The Egyptians gathered them up in

_____ and _____.

9. Moses agreed to ask God to take the frogs away so that Pharaoh would know that there is _____.

10. Why did Pharaoh harden his heart again? _____

Remember this:

11. Do you think that Pharaoh understood that only God could get rid of the frogs? Why? _____

12. Pharaoh lied. Is it ever O.K. to lie? _____

13. Read Colossians 3:9 and fill in the blanks.

“ _____ **not one to another.**”

14. Read Proverbs 13:5 and fill in the blanks.

“A _____ **man hates** _____.”

15. Another time Jesus changed water into something else. Do you remember what it was? Ask your parents or read John 2: 1-11.



8

The Third and Fourth Plagues

Exodus 8:16-

Memory verse: “I will set apart the land of Goshen, where my people dwell, ...I will put a division between My people and your people. Exodus 8:22-23

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Say to Aaron, ‘Stretch out your staff and strike the dust of the earth, so that it may become gnats in all the land of Egypt.’” And they did so. Aaron stretched out his hand with his staff and struck the dust of the earth, and there were gnats on man and beast. All the dust of the earth became gnats in all the land of Egypt. The magicians tried by their secret arts to produce gnats, but they could not. So there were gnats on man and beast. Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, “This is the finger of God.” But Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the Lord had said.

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Rise up early in the morning and present yourself to Pharaoh, as he goes out to the water, and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me. Or else, if you will not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and your servants and your people, and into your houses. And the houses of the Egyptians shall be filled with swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they stand. But on that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, where My people dwell, so that no swarms of flies shall be there, that you may know that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth. Thus I will put a division between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall happen.”’” And the Lord did so. There came great swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh and into his servants' houses. Throughout all the land of Egypt, the land was ruined by the swarms of flies.

Then Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron and said, “Go. Sacrifice to your God within the land.” But Moses said, “It would not be right to do so, for the offerings we shall sacrifice to the Lord our God are an abomination to the Egyptians. If we sacrifice offerings abominable to the Egyptians before their eyes, will they not stone us? We must go three days' journey into the wilderness and sacrifice to the Lord our God as He tells us.” So Pharaoh said, “I will let you go to sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only you must not go very far away. Plead for me.” Then Moses said, “Behold, I am going out from you and I will plead with

the Lord that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow. Only let not Pharaoh cheat again by not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord.”

So Moses went out from Pharaoh and prayed to the Lord. And the Lord did as Moses asked, and removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; not one remained. But Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and did not let the people go.

Lessons to Learn: Because Pharaoh would not listen and obey God, God sent terrible plagues on the Egyptians.

Pharaoh had many chances to change and obey God, but he did not.

Pharaoh lied and cheated the Israelites by not letting them go.

God took care of his people, the Israelites, while the Egyptians were plagued.

God had a plan for His people.

True and False:

- _____ 1. Aaron made the gnats or lice appear by hitting the dust with his rod.
- _____ 2. The magicians said, “This is the finger of God,” and Pharaoh finally believed them.
- _____ 3. Pharaoh would be going down to the water when Moses and Aaron went to warn him about the fourth plague.
- _____ 4. God’s people, the Israelites, lived in the land of Goshen.
- _____ 5. Moses knew that Pharaoh might not really let the Israelites go.

Short Answer:

6. How did the magicians know that God had sent the plague of lice or gnats?

7. Why did God keep the flies away from the Israelites? Exodus 8:22-23

8. Pharaoh hardened his heart or was stubborn and would not let the Israelites go. Was Pharaoh able to make his own choice to do good or evil?

9. Why did Moses say the Israelites could not sacrifice within the land of Egypt?

10. What different things happened in these two plagues that had not happened before during the plagues. (Think about the magicians and people the plagues bothered.)

11. Practice memorizing the ten plagues.

Remember this:

12. Some Egyptians were realizing that the plagues came from God. Which people knew this?

13. God used Moses and Aaron to speak to Pharaoh. How does God tell us what He wants us to do today?

14. Miracles like the plagues show that _____ has great power.

15. Tell about a time you must choose between doing good or doing evil. What would you do?

9

The Fifth and Sixth Plagues

Exodus 9:1-12

Memory verse: “Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me.”” Exodus 9:1

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go in to Pharaoh and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For if you refuse to let them go and still hold them, behold, the hand of the Lord will fall with a very severe (awful) plague upon your livestock (farm animals) that are in the field, the horses, the donkeys, the camels, the herds (cattle), and the flocks (sheep and goats). But the Lord will make a distinction (difference) between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt, so that nothing of all that belongs to the people of Israel shall die.’”” And the Lord set a time, saying, “Tomorrow the Lord will do this thing in the land.”

And the next day the Lord did this thing. All the livestock of the Egyptians died, but not one of the livestock of the people of Israel died. And Pharaoh sent, and behold, not one of the livestock of Israel was dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.

And the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, “Take handfuls of soot (black powder left from the fire) from the kiln (oven), and let Moses throw them in the air in the sight of Pharaoh. It shall become fine dust over all the land of Egypt, and become boils breaking out in sores on man and beast throughout all the land of Egypt.” (Boils are sores from infections.)

So they took soot from the kiln and stood before Pharaoh. And Moses threw it in the air, and it became boils breaking out in sores on man and beast. And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils came upon the magicians and upon all the Egyptians. But the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he did not listen to them, as the Lord had spoken to Moses.

Lessons to learn: God sent terrible plagues on the Egyptians because Pharaoh would not do what God said.
God saved the Israelites and their livestock from harm.
Pharaoh checked to see if the Israelite livestock were harmed or not, but he still did not obey God.

True or False:

- _____ 1. God killed all the animals in the land of Egypt.
- _____ 2. Moses and Aaron threw soot into the air and it became dust all over Egypt and sores broke out on the Egyptians.
- _____ 3. The Israelites and their animals broke out in sores, too.
- _____ 4. God made Pharaoh say no to letting the Israelites go.
- _____ 5. If Pharaoh had let the Israelites go, the plagues would have stopped.

Short Answer:

6. What were the livestock in the field that were killed? _____

7. How soon did the livestock die after God warned Pharaoh about the plague?

8. What were boils? _____

9. The boils on the magicians were so bad that _____

10. Did either of these plagues change Pharaoh's mind? _____

Remember this:

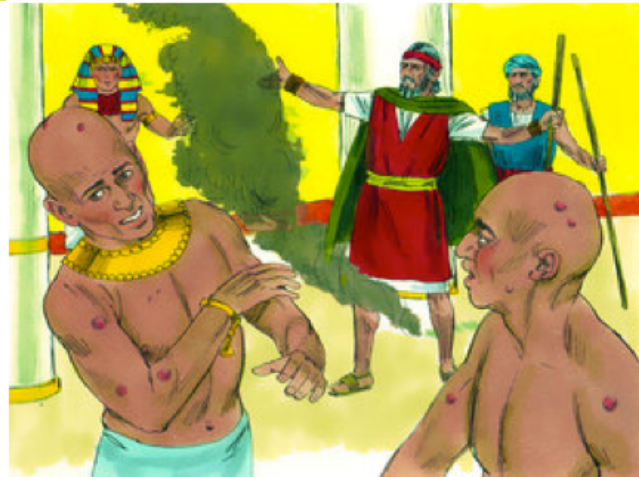
11. These plagues showed that God had power over _____

12. Continue to memorize the ten plagues.

13. Does “the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh” mean that God made Pharaoh do what he did? Why? _____

14. God takes care of His people. Can you name other times in the Bible when God took care of His people?

15. The Israelites were also called _____ of Israel or H _____.



10

The Seventh Plague: Hail

Exodus 9:13-35

Memory verse: “This time I have sinned; the Lord is in the right, and I and my people are in the wrong.” Exodus 9:27

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Rise up early in the morning and present yourself before Pharaoh and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, “Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For this time I will send all My plagues on you yourself, and on your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is none like Me in all the earth. For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence (disease), and you would have been cut off from the earth. (God could have killed all the Egyptians.) But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you My power, so that My name may be proclaimed in all the earth. You are still exalting yourself against My people and will not let them go. Behold, about this time tomorrow I will cause very heavy hail to fall, such as never has been in Egypt from the day it was founded until now. Now therefore send, get your livestock and all that you have in the field into safe shelter, for every man and beast that is in the field and is not brought home will die when the hail falls on them.’”” Then whoever feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh hurried his slaves and his livestock into the houses, but whoever did not pay attention to the word of the Lord left his slaves and his livestock in the field.

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, so that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, on man and beast and every plant of the field, in the land of Egypt.” Then Moses stretched out his staff toward heaven, and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down to the earth (lightning). And the Lord rained hail upon the land of Egypt. There was hail and fire flashing continually in the midst of the hail, very heavy hail, such as had never been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. The hail struck down everything that was in the field in all the land of Egypt, both man and beast. And the hail struck down every plant of the field and broke every tree of the field. Only in the land of Goshen, where the people of Israel were, was there no hail.

Then Pharaoh sent and called Moses and Aaron and said to them, “This time I have sinned; the Lord is in the right, and I and my people are in

the wrong. Plead with the Lord, for there has been enough of God's thunder and hail. I will let you go, and you shall stay no longer.”

Moses said to him, “As soon as I have gone out of the city, I will stretch out my hands to the Lord. The thunder will cease, and there will be no more hail, so that you may know that the earth is the Lord's. But as for you and your servants, I know that you do not yet fear the Lord God.” (The flax and the barley were struck down, for the barley was in the ear and the flax was in bud. But the wheat and the emmer [rye] were not struck down, for they are late in coming up.)

So Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh and stretched out his hands to the Lord, and the thunder and the hail ceased, and the rain no longer poured upon the earth. But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet again and hardened his heart, he and his servants. So the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people of Israel go, just as the Lord had spoken through Moses.

Lessons to learn: God told Pharaoh that He could have struck the Egyptians with disease and killed them all.

Some Egyptians feared God’s warning and put their livestock and servants inside to save them from the hail.

This time Pharaoh admitted that he had sinned.

Pharaoh had many chances to change and obey God, but he did not.

God took care of his people, the Israelites, while the Egyptians were plagued.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Egypt had never seen such heavy hail before.
- _____ 2. The hail killed all the crops that the Egyptians grew each year.
- _____ 3. There was a lot of rain with the hail.
- _____ 4. Pharaoh said that he and his people had sinned.
- _____ 5. Moses thought that Pharaoh would really let the Israelites go this time.

Short Answer:

6. God said that He would send plagues on Pharaoh and his people, so that they would know _____

_____.

7. Which animals and people were killed by the hail? _____

8. Why were the wheat and rye not knocked down by the hail?

9. What else was happening while it was hailing? _____

10. Did Pharaoh fear God yet? _____

Remember this:

11. What did God tell Pharaoh that he could have done to Pharaoh and his people? _____

12. God is in control of who rules nations. Why did He say He raised Pharaoh up? Fill in the blanks.

“But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you My

_____, **so that My _____ may be**

_____ **in all the earth.”**

13. In what part of Egypt was there no hail? _____

continued

14. Pharaoh said that he would let the Israelites go, but he lied. When he hardened his heart again, the Bible says he _____.
(did wrong)

15. Practice saying the ten plagues.



11

The Eighth Plague: Locusts

Exodus 10:1-20

Memory verse: “How long will you refuse to humble yourself before me? Let my people go, that they may serve me.” Exodus 10:3

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go in to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart and the heart of his servants, that I may show these signs of Mine among them, and that you may tell in the hearing of your son and of your grandson how I have dealt harshly with the Egyptians and what signs I have done among them, that you may know that I am the Lord.”

So Moses and Aaron went in to Pharaoh and said to him, “Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, ‘How long will you refuse to humble yourself before Me? Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For if you refuse to let My people go, behold, tomorrow I will bring locusts (large flying grasshoppers) into your country, and they shall cover the face of the land, so that no one can see the land. And they shall eat what is left to you after the hail, and they shall eat every tree of yours that grows in the field, and they shall fill your houses and the houses of all your servants and of all the Egyptians, as neither your fathers nor your grandfathers have seen, from the day they came on earth to this day.’” Then he turned and went out from Pharaoh.

Then Pharaoh's servants said to him, “How long shall this man be a snare to us? Let the men go, that they may serve the Lord their God. Do you not yet understand that Egypt is ruined?” So Moses and Aaron were brought back to Pharaoh. And he said to them, “Go, serve the Lord your God. But which ones are to go?”

Moses said, “We will go with our young and our old. We will go with our sons and daughters and with our flocks and herds, for we must hold a feast to the Lord.”

But he said to them, “The Lord be with you, if ever I let you and your little ones go! Look, you have some evil purpose in mind. No! Go, the men among you, and serve the Lord, for that is what you are asking.” And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, so that they may come upon the land of Egypt and eat every plant in the land, all that the hail has left.” So Moses stretched out his staff over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind upon the

land all that day and all that night. When it was morning, the east wind had brought the locusts. The locusts came up over all the land of Egypt and settled on the whole country of Egypt, such a dense swarm of locusts as had never been before, nor ever will be again. They covered the face of the whole land, so that the land was darkened, and they ate all the plants in the land and all the fruit of the trees that the hail had left. Not a green thing remained, neither tree nor plant of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

Then Pharaoh hastily called Moses and Aaron and said, "I have sinned against the Lord your God, and against you. Now therefore, forgive my sin, please, only this once, and plead with (beg) the Lord your God only to remove this death from me." So he went out from Pharaoh and pleaded with the Lord. And the Lord turned the wind into a very strong west wind, which lifted the locusts and drove them into the Red Sea. Not a single locust was left in all the country of Egypt. But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the people of Israel go.

Lessons to learn: God sent terrible plagues on the Egyptians because Pharaoh would not do what God said.

God lets people decide whether they will listen to Him.

God took care of his people, the Israelites, while the Egyptians were plagued.

God is able to control all of nature and do miracles to prove that He is God and that Moses and Aaron were speaking for Him.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Pharaoh's servants wanted him to let the Israelites leave.
- _____ 2. Pharaoh wasn't willing for any of the Israelites to leave to worship God.
- _____ 3. A west wind brought the locusts into Egypt.
- _____ 4. The locusts ate all the plants that were left after the hail.
- _____ 5. This is the first time that Pharaoh said he had sinned.

Short Answer:

6. Who were the Israelites supposed to tell about what God had done to the Egyptians? _____

7. Why did Pharaoh’s servants want him to let the Israelites go? Fill in the blanks.

“Do you not yet understand that Egypt is _____?”

8. How did the locusts come to Egypt? _____

9. How did the locusts leave Egypt? _____

10. Where did the locusts end up? _____

Remember this:

11. Who was Pharaoh willing to let go to worship God? _____

12. Why didn’t Pharaoh want the Israelites to take all the people, old and young, and their livestock to go worship God? Ask a parent if you don’t know.

13. Review the 10 plagues

Can you list the plagues in order? Give it a try

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| 1. | 6. |
| 2. | 7. |
| 3. | 8. |
| 4. | 9. |
| 5. | 10. |

12

The Ninth Plague: Darkness

Exodus 10:21-11:10

Memory verse: “The Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians.” Exodus 11:3

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, a darkness to be felt.” So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the people of Israel had light where they lived. Then Pharaoh called Moses and said, “Go, serve the Lord; your little ones also may go with you; only let your flocks and your herds remain behind.”

But Moses said, “You must also let us have sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God. Our livestock also must go with us; not a hoof shall be left behind, for we must take of them to serve the Lord our God, and we do not know with what we must serve the Lord until we arrive there.” But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.

Then Pharaoh said to him, “Get away from me; take care never to see my face again, for on the day you see my face you shall die.”

Moses said, “As you say! I will not see your face again.”

The Lord said to Moses, “Yet one plague more I will bring upon Pharaoh and upon Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will drive you away completely. Speak now in the hearing of the people, that they ask, every man of his neighbor and every woman of her neighbor, for silver and gold jewelry.” And the Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. (The Egyptians liked them and were willing to help.) Moreover, the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight of the people.

So Moses said, “Thus says the Lord: ‘About midnight I will go out in the midst of Egypt, and every firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the slave girl who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the cattle. There shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there has never been, nor ever will be again. But not a dog shall growl against any of the people of Israel, either man or beast, that you may know that the Lord

makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel.’ And all these your servants shall come down to me and bow down to me, saying, ‘Get out, you and all the people who follow you.’ And after that I will go out.” And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger. Then the Lord said to Moses, “Pharaoh will not listen to you, that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.” Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh, and the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the people of Israel go out of his land.

Lessons to learn: God sent terrible plagues on the Egyptians and protected His people from the plagues.

God lets people decide whether they will listen to Him.

God was preparing to lead His people out of Egypt, and He made the Egyptians willing to give Israelites silver and gold jewelry.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The darkness that God sent lasted three days.
- _____ 2. The whole land of Egypt was dark.
- _____ 3. The firstborn of all the people and the cattle would die in the last plague.
- _____ 4. The people of Egypt didn't like the Israelites or Moses.
- _____ 5. Moses told Pharaoh about the last plague.

Short Answer:

- 6. God brought a darkness that could be _____.
- 7. What did the Egyptians do during the three days of darkness? _____

- 8. Pharaoh said, “Go, serve the Lord; your _____
_____ also may go with you; only let your _____ and your _____ remain behind.”

9. Moses said that they needed to take their livestock with them to _____

10. Pharaoh said that Moses would not see his face again or he would _____.

11. What would happen at midnight as the last plague? _____

Remember this:

12. All the plagues were miracles that showed that God had power over nature and the Egyptians. What could the Egyptian idol gods do?

13. Why did God say Pharaoh would not listen? Fill in the blanks from Exodus 11:9.

“Pharaoh will not listen to you, that my _____

(miracles) may be _____ in the land of Egypt.”

14. Even though Pharaoh was angry with Moses, what did the Egyptian people think about Moses? _____

15. Was there darkness in Goshen where the Israelites were? _____

16. Would the last plague harm the Israelites, too? _____



13

The Final Plague and the Passover

Exodus 12:1-32

Memory verse: “It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt.” Exodus 12:27

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, “This month shall be ... the first month of the year for you. Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel (top of the door) of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste (in a hurry). It is the Lord's Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations, as a statute (law) forever, you shall keep it as a feast. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven (yeast or anything to make dough rise) out of your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel. On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone

may be prepared by you. And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts (great number or multitude) out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute (law) forever. In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. For seven days no leaven is to be found in your houses. If anyone eats what is leavened, that person will be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is a sojourner (temporary visitor) or a native of the land. You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwelling places you shall eat unleavened bread.”

Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans (family groups), and kill the Passover lamb. Take a bunch of hyssop (a flowering plant) and dip it in the blood that is in the basin (bowl), and touch the lintel (top of the door) and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. For the Lord will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the Lord will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you. You shall observe this rite (ceremony) as a statute (law) for you and for your sons forever. And when you come to the land that the Lord will give you, as He has promised, you shall keep this service. And when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ you shall say, ‘It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover, for He passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when He struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.’” And the people bowed their heads and worshiped. Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

At midnight the Lord struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of the livestock. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he and all his servants and all the Egyptians. And there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where someone was not dead. Then he summoned Moses and Aaron by night and said, “Up, go out from among my people, both you and the people of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as you have said. Take your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone, and bless me also!”

Lessons to Learn: Lessons to learn: Pharaoh was foolish to disobey God. We should always obey what God says, or troubles will come on us.

God took care of His people when they obeyed Him and put blood on their doorways.

The Passover feast would be a memorial (ceremony to help the Israelites remember how God had saved them out of the land of Egypt).

True or False:

- _____ 1. Everyone was to pick a lamb for his family or share a lamb with another family according to how much each person would eat.
- _____ 2. The Israelites could pick any animal from the sheep or goats to use for the Passover feast.
- _____ 3. The Israelites were to eat the Passover feast while dressed and ready to leave Egypt.
- _____ 4. The Passover was to be observed for seven days.
- _____ 5. Pharaoh finally let the Israelites go after all the firstborn of the Egyptians were killed by God.

Short Answer:

6. The Passover lamb could be from the sheep or the goats, but it had to be without _____, and a _____ a _____ old.

7. Where were the Israelites supposed to put the blood of the lamb? _____

8. What is leaven? _____

9. What would happen to anyone who ate leaven during the days of the Passover feast? _____

10. God said the Israelites were to eat the Passover “with your _____ fastened, your _____ on your feet, and your _____ in your hand. And you shall eat it in _____.”
11. “At midnight the Lord struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of _____ who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the _____ who was in the _____, and all the firstborn of the _____.”
Exodus 12: 29

Remember this:

12. The blood of the lamb on the top of the door and the door posts was a sign of _____
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13. The Israelites were supposed to continue celebrating the Passover as a memorial. What is a memorial? _____
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14. God gave the Israelites many laws to follow to celebrate the Passover. Here are some: Pick a lamb with blemish (flaw, or imperfection); the lamb must be roasted; there must not be any leaven in their houses; and they must eat in a hurry. What would have happened if someone had not obeyed all the laws God gave them?
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15. The Passover is like the Lord's Supper in several ways. See if you can fill in the blanks.

Passover

Lamb sacrificed.

Blood on doorposts to save.

Unleavened bread

A memorial of being saved from

Only for Israelites



Lord's Supper

_____ sacrificed
(our Passover Lamb)

Blood of _____
to save us.

Unleavened bread

A memorial of Salvation from

Only for _____



14

The Exodus

Exodus 12: 33- 13:16

Memory verse: “By a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery.” Exodus 13: 14

The Egyptians were urgent with the people to send them out of the land in haste (in a hurry). For they said, “We shall all be dead.” So the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading bowls being bound up in their cloaks on their shoulders. The people of Israel had also done as Moses told them, for they had asked the Egyptians for silver and gold jewelry and for clothing. And the Lord had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. Thus they plundered (robbed, took the valuables from) the Egyptians.

And the people of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand men on foot, besides women and children. A mixed multitude also went up with them, and very much livestock, both flocks and herds. And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough that they had brought out of Egypt, for it was not leavened, because they were thrust out of Egypt and could not wait, nor had they prepared any provisions (supplies – food, drink or equipment) for themselves.

The time that the people of Israel lived in Egypt was 430 years. At the end of 430 years, on that very day, all the hosts (multitudes) of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt. It was a night of watching by the Lord, to bring them out of the land of Egypt; so this same night is a night of watching kept to the Lord by all the people of Israel throughout their generations... And on that very day the Lord brought the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their hosts....

Then Moses said to the people, “Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the Lord brought you out from this place.... (Then Moses reminded the Israelites about how they were supposed to remember the Passover and teach their children about how God had brought them out of Egypt.)

When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as He swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, you shall set apart to the Lord all that first opens the womb (the first born). All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the Lord's. Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem (purchase, exchange) with a lamb, or if you will not

redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. And when in time to come your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ you shall say to him, ‘By a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery. For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore I sacrifice to the Lord all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.’ It shall be as a mark on your hand or frontlets between your eyes, for by a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt.”

Lessons to Learn: God took care of His people.

The Israelites were in Egypt for 430 years, but God brought them out at the right time just as He had planned.

The firstborn male animals were set apart to sacrifice to God.

True or False:

- _____ 1. After the last plague, the Egyptians were ready for the Israelites to leave.
- _____ 2. The Egyptians were willing to give the Israelites what they asked for.
- _____ 3. The Israelites had prepared food to take with them on their travels.
- _____ 4. Everything firstborn was to be sacrificed to God.
- _____ 5. God expected parents to teach their children about the Passover, how God brought the Israelites out of Egypt, and why the firstborn males were set apart for God.

Short Answer:

6. What three things did the Israelites ask the Egyptians to give them?

7. How many Israelite men left Egypt?

8. What did the Israelites have to eat as they traveled?

9. How long had the Israelites been in Egypt? _____

10. Fill in the blanks.

“Remember this day in which you came out from _____,
out of the house of _____, for by a _____
hand the _____ brought you out from this place.”

Remember this:

11. Which memorial was supposed to remind the Israelites of God bringing them out of Egypt?

12. When God makes a promise, does it always happen right away? How do you know? _____

13. Can you think of some other promises God made that took some time to be fulfilled? I’ve given you some hints below.

God promised Abraham that he would have a _____
About 25 years later, the promise was fulfilled.

God promised Abraham the land of _____ and the
Israelites are still now there yet.

God promised Adam and Eve that he would send _____
to save people from their sins. Thousands of years later, He was born
in a stable.



15

God Leads His People

Exodus 13:15-14:13

Memory verse: “Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today.” Exodus 14:13

When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near. For God said, “Lest the people change their minds when they see war and return to Egypt.” But God led the people around by the way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea. And the people of Israel went up out of the land of Egypt equipped for battle.

Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for Joseph had made the sons of Israel solemnly swear (honestly or sincerely promise), saying, “God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones with you from here.” And they moved on from Succoth and encamped at Etham, on the edge of the wilderness. And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night. The pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Tell the people of Israel to turn back and encamp in front of ... the sea, ... you shall encamp facing it, by the sea. For Pharaoh will say of the people of Israel, ‘They are wandering in the land; the wilderness has shut them in.’ And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will pursue (chase after) them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, and the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord.” And they did so.

When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled (run away), the mind of Pharaoh and his servants was changed toward the people, and they said, “What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us?” So he made ready his chariot and took his army with him, and took six hundred chosen chariots and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the people of Israel while the people of Israel were going out defiantly (boldly disobedient). The Egyptians pursued them, all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and his horsemen and his army, and overtook them encamped at the sea,....

When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, “Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: ‘Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” And Moses said to the people, “Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.”

Lessons to Learn: God cared for the Israelites by leading them by day and night.

So soon after being saved from Egypt, the Israelites begin grumbling that they would die in the wilderness.

When the Israelites saw the Egyptians coming, they were afraid. They should have trusted in God.

Pharaoh chased after the Israelites when he realized that he had lost his slave workers.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The Israelites left Egypt ready for battle.
- _____ 2. Moses took Jacob’s bones with him so that they could be buried in Canaan.
- _____ 3. Once again, Pharaoh changed his mind about letting the Israelites leave.
- _____ 4. Pharaoh thought the Israelites would be wandering in the wilderness.
- _____ 5. The Israelites would have to fight the Egyptians.

Short Answer:

- 6. Why didn’t God lead the Israelites through the land of the Philistines?
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7. How did God lead the Israelites by day? _____

8. How did God lead the Israelites by night? _____

9. The Israelites encamped by the _____.

10. Fill in the blanks about the Egyptians that chased the Israelites.

“So he (Pharaoh) made ready his _____ and took his
with him, and took _____ chosen chariots and all the
other chariots of Egypt with _____ over all of them.”
Exodus 14:7

Remember this:

11. What special things did Moses take with him when he left Egypt?

Why? _____

12. Did God **make** Pharaoh change his mind again? Who did?

13. The Israelites saw the many Egyptian chariots and the army and they
were afraid. They did not have _____ that God was
with them.

14. The Israelites grumbled, murmured, or complained about Moses taking
them out of Egypt. They should have been _____
that God saved them.

15. God said He would get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, and the

“Egyptians shall know that _____.”
Exodus 14:4

16

Crossing the Red Sea

Exodus 14

Memory verse: “So the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in His servant Moses.” Exodus 14: 31

The Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry to me? (The Israelites were crying out in fear when they saw the Egyptians.) Tell the people of Israel to go forward. Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen.”

Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, coming between the host (army, multitude) of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. And in the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, “Let us flee from before Israel, for the Lord fights for them against the Egyptians.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the Lord threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. Thus

the Lord saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great power that the Lord used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in His servant Moses. (Then Moses and the Israelites sang a song praising God for saving them. Exodus 15)

Lessons to Learn: God takes care of His people.

God is able to control the water of the sea.

God said He would do this miracle “and the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord.”

We should not grumble or complain, even when we are in trouble.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The angel of the Lord had been leading (going before) the Israelites.
- _____ 2. The pillar of fire stood between the Israelites and the Egyptians all night.
- _____ 3. God used walls to hold back the sea.
- _____ 4. The Egyptians followed the Israelites into the Red Sea.
- _____ 5. Moses hit the Red Sea with his rod (staff) to open the sea up and to make it go back to normal.

Short answer:

6. How did God separate the Egyptians from the Israelites during the night?

7. How did God drive the sea out of the way for the Israelites to cross?

8. What happened to the ground the Israelites walked on in the Sea? It also shows that this was a miracle from God.

9. When God clogged the Egyptian Chariot wheels so they couldn't drive well, what did the Egyptians say?

“Let us flee (run) from before _____, for the
_____ fights for them...” Exodus 14: 25

10. How many of the Egyptian soldiers escaped the Red Sea?

Remember this:

11. When the Israelites saw the great power of God against the Egyptians, what did they do?

12. Can you tell at least three ways that God took care of the Israelites at this time near and in the Red Sea?

13. What shows that the Israelites did not really trust in God?

14. The Egyptians had more than six hundred chariots, horsemen, and an army. The Israelites had none of those. What did they have that was more important?

15. Should the Israelites already have known God's power? Why?

17

Bitter Water Made Sweet

Exodus 15:22 – 16:

Memory verse: “The Lord has heard your grumbling... Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord.” Exodus 16: 8

Then Moses made Israel set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur (Sure). They went three days in the wilderness and found no water.

When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter; therefore it was named Marah. And the people grumbled against Moses, saying, “What shall we drink?” And he cried to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a log, and he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet.

There the Lord made for them a statute (law) and a rule, and there He tested them, saying, “If you will diligently listen to the voice of the Lord your God, and do that which is right in His eyes, and give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, your healer.”

And all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin,... And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.”

So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because He has heard your grumbling against the Lord. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the Lord

has heard your grumbling that you grumble against Him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.’” And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

And the Lord said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

Lessons to Learn: The Israelites should have been thankful for their blessings.

When the Israelites grumbled against God’s rulers, Moses and Aaron, they were really grumbling against God.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The Israelites had learned not to complain because God didn’t like it.
- _____ 2. If the Israelites obeyed God, they would be blessed.
- _____ 3. Some of the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron.
- _____ 4. The Israelites said that they would rather have died in Egypt than wander in the wilderness.
- _____ 5. The Israelites would learn something when God provided food for them.

Short Answer:

- 6. What was the place’s name that meant “bitter”? _____
- 7. How did Moses fix the water? _____
- 8. About what did the Israelites grumble? _____

9. Fill in the blanks. God said, “If you will diligently _____ to the voice of the _____, and _____ that which is _____ in His eyes, and give _____ to His _____ and keep all His _____, I will put none of the _____ on you that I put on the _____, for I am the Lord, your _____.” Exodus 15:26

10. What appeared when Aaron spoke and the people looked toward the wilderness? _____

Remember this:

11. God told Moses to tell the Israelites, “At twilight you shall eat _____, and in the morning you shall be filled with _____. Then you shall know _____.” Exodus 16:12

12. What does this lesson teach us about grumbling against God’s leaders?

13. Why did God say that he would have the Israelites go out and gather a day's portion every day? “That I may _____ them, whether _____ or not.” Exodus 16:4

18

God Provides Manna and Quail

Exodus 16

Memory verse: “Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.’” Exodus 16:15

In the evening quail (birds) came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” (“Manna”) For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer (a measure of about 5 pints), according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.’” And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over till the morning.” But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread,... Moses...said to them, “This is what the Lord has commanded: ‘Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to the Lord; bake what you will bake and boil what you will boil, and all that is left over lay aside to be kept till the morning.’” So they laid it aside till the morning, as Moses commanded them, and it did not stink, and there were no worms in it. Moses said, “Eat it today, for today is a Sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, which is a Sabbath, there will be none.”

On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, but they found none. And the Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws? See! The Lord has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Remain each of you in his place; let no one go out of his place on the seventh day.” So the people rested on the seventh day.

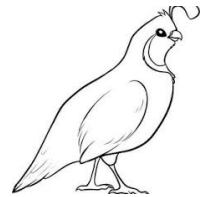
Now the house of Israel called its name manna. It was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey... And Moses said to Aaron, "Take a jar, and put an omer of manna in it, and place it before the Lord to be kept throughout your generations..." The people of Israel ate the manna forty years, till they came to a habitable land. (a land where they could live) They ate the manna till they came to the border of the land of Canaan.

Lessons to Learn: The Israelites should have been thankful for their blessings.

When the Israelites grumbled against God's rulers, Moses and Aaron, they were really grumbling against God.

God provided food for the Israelites.

God commanded the Israelites to rest on the Sabbath day because He had rested (stopped his work of Creation) on the seventh day.



True or False:

- _____ 1. Quail is the type of bird that God provided as meat.
- _____ 2. The people called the bread manna because it looked like wafers.
- _____ 3. Every family gathered the same amount of manna each day
- _____ 4. Each morning God sent manna, and each evening God sent quail for food.
- _____ 5. God provided manna until the Israelites had traveled to the border of Canaan.

Short Answer:

- 6. What is an omer? _____
 - 7. Each day the Israelites gathered as much manna as _____;
but on the sixth day, they gathered _____
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8. Describe what the manna looked like. _____

9. What did Manna taste like? _____

10. What happened to manna that people left to the next day? _____

11. How long (in years) did the Israelites eat manna? _____

Remember this:

12. What was special about the seventh day? Read Exodus 16:23 and

20: 11 _____

13. Did God tell the Israelites exactly what they needed to do with the
manna? _____ If so, why didn't they do what He said?

14. Describe things that show God's supernatural power in this lesson.

15. Why would Moses tell Aaron to keep an omer of manna? Think about
this and other memorials the Israelites had.

19

Water from the Rock

Exodus 17:1-7

Memory verse: “They tested the Lord by saying, ‘Is the Lord among us or not?’” Exodus 17: 7

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages (moving from one place to the next), according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim (REHF-ih-dihm), but there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore the people quarreled (argued) with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.”

And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?”

But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?”

So Moses cried to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” And the Lord said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.”

And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the Lord by saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

Lessons to learn: God was taking care of His people. But they kept complaining. God tells us not to complain. We will not complain when we trust in God. God shows forbearance to sinners (restrains or keeps Himself from punishing them right away like they deserve.)

True or False:

- _____ 1. Now the Israelites were glad that Moses had saved them and taken them out of Egypt.
- _____ 2. The Israelites understood that God was with them.

- _____ 3. Moses told God that the people were almost ready to stone him.
- _____ 4. God told Moses to strike the rock and water would come out.
- _____ 5. Moses was to take some children with him when he hit the rock.
- _____ 6. Quarreling means angry arguing or disagreement.

Short Answer:

7. When the people quarreled with Moses, they demanded that he give them

8. Moses said that when the people quarreled with him, they were really testing whom?

9. Why did the Israelites say that Moses had brought them out of Egypt?

10. Who saw Moses strike the rock? _____

Remember this:

11. What else had Moses done with the same rod that he used to hit the rock? _____

12. What does Philippians 2:14 say about complaining or grumbling?

“Do all things without _____ or disputing.”(arguing)

13. When is a time that it may be hard, but you must remember not to complain?

14. The Israelites kept complaining even though God was taking care of them. Complete the list of several things God had done for them.

- a. God sent Moses to lead them out of _____.
- b. God made the Egyptians want to help the Israelites so they gave the Israelites _____, _____, and _____.
- c. God led them by a _____ by day and a _____ by night.
- d. God helped them cross _____.
- e. God made the bitter water _____.
- f. God sent them _____ in the morning and _____ in the evening.



20

Israel Defeats Amalek

Exodus 17:8-16

Memory verse: “Then the Lord said, . . . ‘I will utterly blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven.’” Exodus 17:14

Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim (REHF-ih-dihm). So Moses said to Joshua, “Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.” Deuteronomy 25:17-18 says, “Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you came out of Egypt, how he attacked you on the way when you were faint and weary, and cut off your tail, those who were lagging behind you, and he did not fear God.” (The Amalekites attacked the people at the end of the Israelites)

So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed (won), and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands grew weary (tired), so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side. So his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people with the sword.

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Write this as a memorial (something to remind people) in a book and recite it (repeat it) in the ears of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out (wipe out, destroy) the memory of Amalek from under heaven.” And Moses built an altar and called the name of it, The Lord Is My Banner, saying, “A hand upon the throne of the Lord!” The Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

Deuteronomy 25:19-20 adds, “Therefore when the Lord your God has given you rest from all your enemies around you, in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance to possess, you shall blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven; you shall not forget.”

(Later God told King Saul to destroy them.) “Thus says the Lord of hosts, ‘I have noted what Amalek did to Israel in opposing them on the way when they came up out of Egypt. Now go and strike Amalek and devote to destruction all that they have. Do not spare (save) them, but kill both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.’” I Samuel 15:2-3

Lessons to Learn: God was going to destroy the Amalekites because of their sin of attacking the Israelites without any reason. They also did not obey God.

It would be a long time until the Amalekites would be destroyed, but God did not forget, and He always keeps His word.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The Israelites attacked the Amalekites before they attacked the Israelites.
- _____ 2. Moses led the Israelites in battle.
- _____ 3. Moses needed some help to hold his arms up.
- _____ 4. Israel was supposed to destroy everything having to do with the Amalekites.
- _____ 5. Moses wrote down God's instructions to remind the people.

Short Answer:

6. Who did Moses pick to lead the Israelites against the Amalekites?

7. What had the Amalekites done wrong according to Deuteronomy 25:17-18? Fill in the blanks.

“Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you came out of _____, how he attacked you on the way when you were _____ and _____, and cut off your tail, those who were _____, and he did not _____.”

8. Who went up on the hill? _____

9. What did Moses do to help the Israelites? _____

10. Who helped Moses when he became tired? _____

11. What did they do for Moses? _____

Remember this:

12. What is a memorial? _____

13. What did God want the Israelites to remember? _____

14. When God told Saul to destroy the Amalekites, He told Saul to kill the

_____, _____, _____, _____,

_____, _____, _____, and _____.

15. What was the name of the altar Moses built? _____

16. God takes care of His people. In this lesson we see that God sometimes punishes the enemies of His people. Can you think of some other times when God punished an enemy of Israel?

21

Jethro's Advice

Exodus 18:1-27

Memory verse: “Look for able men from all the people, men who fear God, who are trustworthy...” Exodus 18:21

Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father-in-law, heard of all that God had done for Moses and for Israel his people, how the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt. Now Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, had taken Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her home, along with her two sons. The name of the one was Gershom (for he said, “I have been a sojourner in a foreign land”), and the name of the other, Eliezer (for he said, “The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh”).

Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, came with his sons and his wife to Moses in the wilderness where he was encamped at the mountain of God. (Mount Sinai) And when he sent word to Moses, “I, your father-in-law Jethro, am coming to you with your wife and her two sons with her.” Moses went out to meet his father-in-law and bowed down and kissed him. And they asked each other of their welfare (how they were doing) and went into the tent. Then Moses told his father-in-law all that the Lord had done to Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the hardship that had come upon them in the way, and how the Lord had delivered them. And Jethro rejoiced for all the good that the Lord had done to Israel, in that he had delivered them out of the hand of the Egyptians.

Jethro said, “Blessed be the Lord, who has delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians and out of the hand of Pharaoh and has delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians. Now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods, because in this affair they dealt arrogantly with the people.” And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, brought a burnt offering and sacrifices to God; and Aaron came with all the elders of Israel to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God.

The next day Moses sat to judge the people, and the people stood around Moses from morning till evening. When Moses' father-in-law saw all that he was doing for the people, he said, “What is this that you are doing for the people? Why do you sit alone, and all the people stand around you from morning till evening?” And Moses said to his father-in-law, “Because the people come to me to inquire of God; when they have a dispute, they come to me and I decide between one person and another, and

I make them know the statutes of God and his laws.” (Moses helped the people ask God about things, he settled their arguments, and he told the people about God’s laws.)

Moses' father-in-law said to him, “What you are doing is not good. You and the people with you will certainly wear yourselves out, for the thing is too heavy for you. You are not able to do it alone. Now obey my voice; I will give you advice, and God be with you! You shall represent the people before God and bring their cases to God, and you shall warn them about the statutes and the laws, and make them know the way in which they must walk and what they must do. Moreover, look for able men from all the people, men who fear God, who are trustworthy and hate a bribe, and place such men over the people as chiefs of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties, and of tens. And let them judge the people at all times. Every great matter they shall bring to you, but any small matter they shall decide themselves. So it will be easier for you, and they will bear the burden with you. If you do this, God will direct you, you will be able to endure, and all this people also will go to their place in peace.”

So Moses listened to the voice of his father-in-law and did all that he had said. Moses chose able men out of all Israel and made them heads over the people, chiefs of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties, and of tens. And they judged the people at all times. Any hard case they brought to Moses, but any small matter they decided themselves. Then Moses let his father-in-law depart, and he went away to his own country.

Lessons to Learn: A sojourner is someone who lives in a place for a time, but not permanently (forever).

Jethro was wise, so Moses listened to him.

Jethro’s idea made Moses’ work easier.

True or False:

- _____ 1. “The mountain of God” is another name for Mt. Sinai.
- _____ 2. Jethro, Moses’ father-in-law, was a priest in Midian.
- _____ 3. Moses was working from morning until evening, and Jethro said he should not do the work alone.
- _____ 4. Jethro told Moses to pick any men who were willing to help him to judge the people of Israel.

_____ 5. Moses shouldn't have listened to his father-in-law's advice.

Short Answer:

6. What relatives of Moses are mentioned in this lesson? _____

7. What did Gershom mean? _____

8. What did Eliezer mean? _____

9. What did Moses tell Jethro about when Jethro came into Moses' tent?

10. With what three things did Moses help the Israelites?

Remember this:

11. How did Moses and Jethro get along? Give examples. They teach us some things about how family members should act.

12. Why did Jethro tell Moses that what he was doing wasn't good?

13. What kind of men did Jethro advise Moses to pick to help him? Fill in the blanks.

“Moreover, look for _____ men from all the people, men who _____, who are _____ and hate a _____, and place such men over the people as chiefs of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties, and of tens. And let them judge the people at all times.”

14. The men who helped Moses took care of all _____ matters, and brought all the _____ matters to Moses.

15. What does this lesson teach us about listening to wise advise?

22

Israel at Mount Sinai

Exodus 19

Memory verse: “If you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possession.” Exodus 19:5

On the third new moon after the people of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that day they came into the wilderness of Sinai... There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore (carried) you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine; and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

All the people answered together and said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

And the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, I am coming to you in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and may also believe you forever.”

When Moses told the words of the people to the Lord, the Lord said to Moses, “Go to the people and consecrate them (make them holy) today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments and be ready for the third day. For on the third day the Lord will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. And you shall set limits for the people all around, saying, ‘Take care not to go up into the mountain or touch the edge of it. Whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death. No hand shall touch him, but he shall be stoned or shot (with an arrow); whether beast or man, he shall not live.’ When the trumpet sounds a long blast, they shall come up to the mountain.” So Moses went down from the mountain to the people and consecrated the people; and they washed their garments. And he said to the people, “Be ready for the third day;....”

On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud on the mountain and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled. Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain. Now Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke because the Lord had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln (oven for pottery), and the whole mountain trembled greatly. And, as the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him in thunder. The Lord came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain. And the Lord called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

And the Lord said to Moses, “Go down and warn the people, lest they break through to the Lord to look and many of them perish (die). Also let the priests who come near to the Lord consecrate themselves, lest the Lord break out against them (destroy or kill them).”

And Moses said to the Lord, “The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai, for you yourself warned us, saying, ‘Set limits around the mountain and consecrate it (make it holy).’”

And the Lord said to him, “Go down, and come up bringing Aaron with you. But do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the Lord, lest he break out against them.” So Moses went down to the people and told them.

Lessons to Learn: If the Israelites obeyed God, they would be His treasured possession, and a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. The people had to wash their clothes and make themselves holy to get ready for God to come down on Mt. Sinai.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The “house of Jacob” and “the people of Israel” both mean the Israelites.
- _____ 2. The Israelites agreed to do what God told them.
- _____ 3. The Israelites had to stay so far away from Mt. Sinai that they could not hear God speak to Moses.
- _____ 4. No man or animal could touch the mountain when God came down on it, or they would die.
- _____ 5. The Israelites were afraid when they saw and heard the signs of God coming to Mt. Sinai.

Short Answer:

6. God said, “You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians.” What had God done? _____

7. Fill in the blanks. **“If you will indeed _____ My voice and keep My _____, you shall be My _____ possession among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine; and you shall be to Me a _____ of _____ and a holy _____.”**
Exodus 19:5-6

8. When Moses told the Israelites what God had commanded, what did they answer? _____

9. What would happen if an animal or person touched even the edge of Mt. Sinai on the third day when God came down? _____

10. What sound would call the people to come near the mountain?

Remember this:

11. What were Moses and the people to do in preparation for the third day?

12. Fill in the blanks. “**On the morning of the third day there were**
_____ **and** _____ **and a thick**
_____ **on the mountain and a very loud** _____
blast.” Exodus 19:16

13. How did God descend onto Mt. Sinai? _____

14. Why did God want the Israelites to hear Him talk to Moses?

15. The Israelites had to wash their clothes and consecrate themselves to
prepare for God coming down on Mt. Sinai. What are some things we
should do to prepare for worshipping God?



23

The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20

Memory verse: “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long...” Exodus 20:12

And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. “You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity (sin) of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation...but showing steadfast (steady, dependable) love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. (use God’s name disrespectfully or in an empty, useless way)

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner (visitor) who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder. (unlawfully kill a person)

You shall not commit adultery. (sin of a man and woman who are not married to each other)

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness (speak falsely) against your neighbor.

“You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.” (Covet means to want something that does not belong to you and would be unlawful for you to take.)

Now when all the people saw the thunder and the flashes of lightning and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die."

Moses said to the people, "Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear (respect) of Him may be before you, that you may not sin." The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

Lessons to Learn: God gave Moses the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai. These commandments had two main parts: Commandments about how people should obey God and commandments about how people should act toward other people.

True or False:

- _____ 1. God is wrong to be jealous about His people.
- _____ 2. No one was supposed to make an image of anything and worship it.
- _____ 3. The Sabbath day was the sixth day of the week.
- _____ 4. God is steadfast in His love for the people who obey Him.
- _____ 5. Covet means to want something that belongs to someone else.

Short Answer:

- 6. Who spoke and gave Moses the Ten Commandments? _____
- 7. No one is supposed to make an image of anything in " _____
above, or that is in the _____ beneath, or that is in the
_____ under the earth." Exodus 20:4
- 8. God shows steadfast (steady, dependable) love to people who _____
Him and keep His _____.

9. What does “take the Lord’s name in vain” mean? _____

10. What day was the day of rest for the Israelites? _____

Remember this:

11. Why did God make the seventh day of the week holy? _____

12. What was the reason God Gave for honoring your father and your

mother? “that your _____ may be _____
in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.”

13. What things made the Israelites afraid? _____

14. Which one of the Ten Commandments do we not obey today?



24

God's Pattern For the Tabernacle

Exodus 24:3- 25:8

Memory verse: “All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.” Exodus 24:7

Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.” And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord... He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.”

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute (disagreement), let him go to them.”

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

The Lord said to Moses, “Speak to the people of Israel, that they take for me a contribution. From every man whose heart moves him you shall receive the contribution for me. And this is the contribution that you shall receive from them: gold, silver, and bronze, blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen, goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, goatskins, acacia wood, oil for the lamps, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, onyx stones, and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the

breastpiece. And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it...(God told Moses about how to make the Tabernacle and the pieces of furniture for the Tabernacle- ark of the covenant, table for the bread, golden lamp stand...)

Lessons to Learn: The Israelites (every man whose heart moves him) were supposed to contribute (give) to help build the tabernacle and the things to put into it. These were free will offerings from the people who had the items God asked for and wanted to give them to God. God always expects His people to do things exactly according to the pattern that He has given to us.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The Israelites said that they would do all that God had spoken.
- _____ 2. The twelve pillars that Moses built were for the twelve apostles.
- _____ 3. If anyone had a disagreement while Moses was on Mount Sinai, Aaron and Hur would take care of it.
- _____ 4. God commanded all Israelites to give whether they wanted to or not.
- _____ 5. Moses and the Israelites could make the Tabernacle any way that they thought was appropriate.

Short Answer:

- 6. Who wrote down the words of God? _____
- 7. What things did Moses build at the foot of the mountain? _____

- 8. What did Moses read to the people? _____
- 9. Read Exodus 24:7 and fill in the blanks: “**All that the _____ has _____ we will do, and we will be _____.**”

10. Who was Moses' assistant? _____

Remember this:

11. Describe what the glory of the Lord appeared like. _____

12. How long was Moses up on the mountain? _____

Do you remember any other events in the Bible that lasted the same amount of time?

13. Circle the items God wanted for the Tabernacle.

gold, silver, and bronze

blue and purple and scarlet yarns

Leather (from cows)

goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, goatskins

fine twined linen

Stained glass

acacia wood

oil for the lamps

onyx stones and stones for the ephod and for the breastpiece.

spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense,

14. What can we learn by God saying, "Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it..."?

15. The ephod and the breastplate were part of the garments that the priests would wear. We will learn more about them in the next lesson.

25

The Priests' Garments

Exodus 28

Memory verse: “You shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty.” Exodus 28:2

“Then bring near to you Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the people of Israel, to serve me as priests—Aaron and Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. And you shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty. You shall speak to all the skillful, whom I have filled with a spirit of skill, that they make Aaron's garments to consecrate him for my priesthood. (to make or declare sacred; set apart or dedicate to the service of God) These are the garments that they shall make: a breastpiece, an ephod (a sleeveless, ornamental garment over the robe), a robe, a coat of checker work, a turban (head covering), and a sash. They shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother and his sons to serve me as priests. They shall receive gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen.

“And they shall make the ephod of gold, of blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and of fine twined linen, skillfully worked. It shall have two shoulder pieces attached to its two edges, so that it may be joined together. And the skillfully woven band on it shall be made like it and be of one piece with it, of gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen. You shall take two onyx stones, and engrave on them the names of the sons of Israel, six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the remaining six on the other stone, in the order of their birth... You shall enclose them in settings of gold filigree. And you shall set the two stones on the shoulder pieces of the ephod, as stones of remembrance for the sons of Israel... And Aaron shall bear their names before the Lord on his two shoulders for remembrance. You shall make settings of gold filigree, and two chains of pure gold, twisted like cords; and you shall attach the corded chains to the settings.

“You shall make a breastpiece of judgment, in skilled work. In the style of the ephod you shall make it—of gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen shall you make it. It shall be square... You shall set in it four rows of stones. A row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle shall be the first row; and the second row an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond; and the third row a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst; and the

fourth row a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be set in gold filigree. There shall be twelve stones with their names according to the names of the sons of Israel... So Aaron shall bear the names of the sons of Israel in the breastpiece of judgment on his heart, when he goes into the Holy Place, to bring them to regular remembrance before the Lord.

“You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue. It shall have an opening for the head in the middle of it, with a woven binding around the opening, like the opening in a garment, so that it may not tear. On its hem you shall make pomegranates of blue and purple and scarlet yarns, around its hem, with bells of gold between them,... And it shall be on Aaron when he ministers, and its sound shall be heard when he goes into the Holy Place before the Lord, and when he comes out, so that he does not die.

“You shall make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it,... ‘Holy to the Lord.’ And you shall fasten it on the turban by a cord of blue. It shall be on the front of the turban.

“You shall weave the coat in checker work of fine linen, and you shall make a turban of fine linen, and you shall make a sash embroidered with needlework.

“For Aaron's sons you shall make coats and sashes and caps. You shall make them for glory and beauty. And you shall put them on Aaron your brother, and on his sons with him, and shall anoint them and ordain them and consecrate them, so that they may serve me as priests. You shall make for them linen undergarments to cover their naked flesh. They shall reach from the hips to the thighs; and they shall be on Aaron and on his sons when they go into the tent of meeting or when they come near the altar to minister in the Holy Place...



Lessons to Learn: God had a pattern for the clothing of the priests. The priests' clothes were for both glory and beauty. Aaron and his sons were to be the priests. Aaron was the high priest.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Four sons of Aaron are mentioned in this lesson.
- _____ 2. God was the one who had given the skillful people their skill.
- _____ 3. God did not care about beauty of the priests' clothing.
- _____ 4. There were bells on the hem of the robes.
- _____ 5. There were 12 stones on the ephod for the names of the 12 apostles.

Short Answer:

6. Name Aaron's sons. _____

7. What are the six parts of the priests' garments? _____

8. What was to be engraved on the two onyx stones? _____

9. Why were the bells on the hems of Aaron's robe important? _____

10. What was engraved on the plate of pure gold? _____

Remember this:

11. Circle the words that describe the priestly garments.

Disorganized

Beautiful

Special

Ugly

Ordinary

12. What does consecrate mean? _____

13. Read I Peter 2:9 and see what Peter says about Christians.

**“But you are a chosen race, a royal _____,
a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may
proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness
into His marvelous light.”**

14. Who is our High Priest today? Read James 4: 14-15 and fill in the blank.

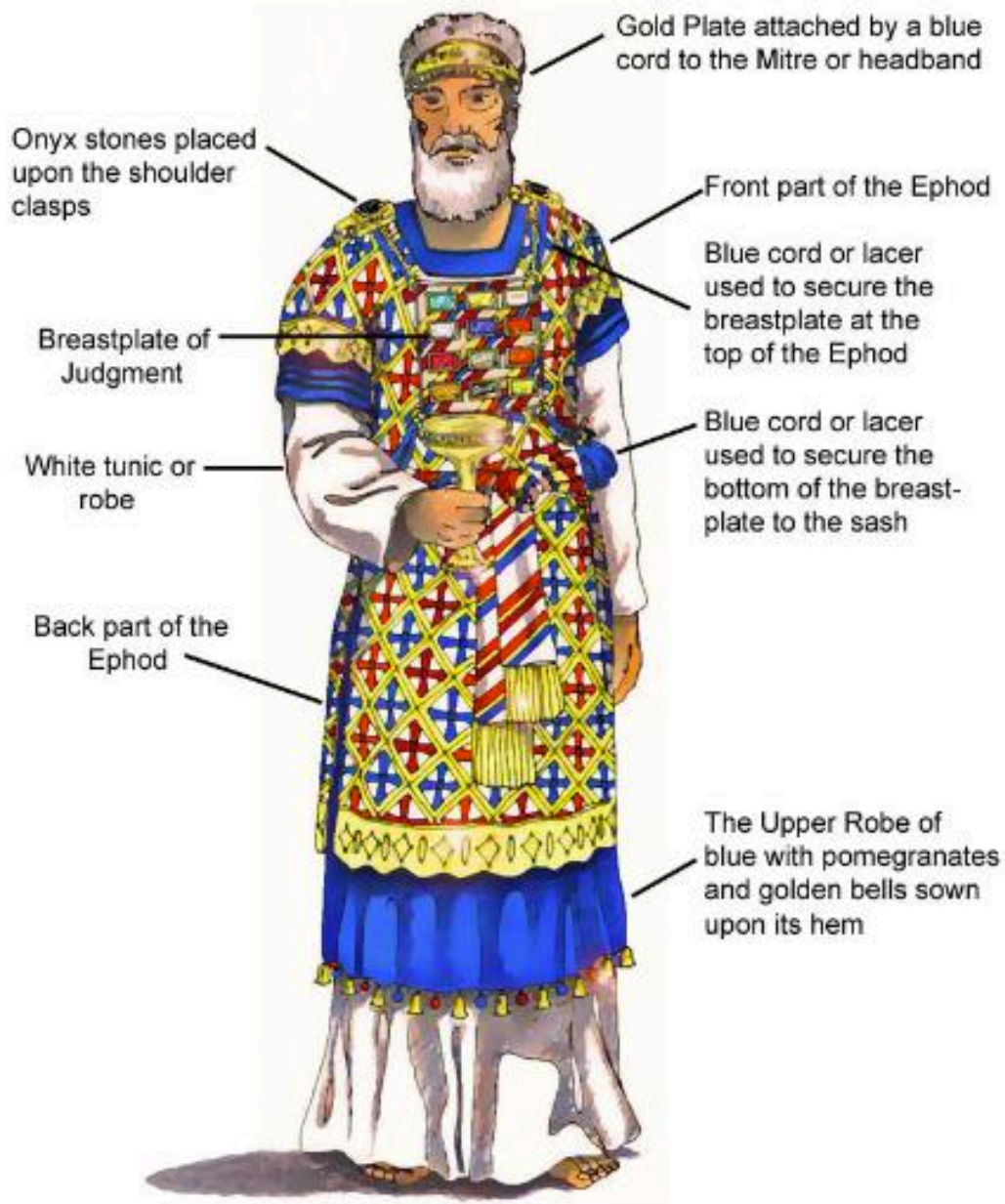
“Since then we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, _____, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.”

15. The priests sacrificed bulls and goats, but the blood of those animals could not take away sins. Jesus Christ is our High Priest and He offered just

one sacrifice (Himself). In Hebrews 9:12, it says, “He entered _____ for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves

but by means of His own _____, thus securing an eternal redemption.” (salvation from sin)

16. See the High Priest drawing on the next page.



26

The Sabbath

Exodus 20: 8-11, 31: 12-18; Deut. 5:12-15

Memory verse: “It is a sign ...that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested.” Ex. 31: 17

And the Lord said to Moses, “You are to speak to the people of Israel and say, ‘Above all you shall keep My Sabbaths, for this is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you. (purify, cleanse –from sin) You shall keep the Sabbath, because it is holy for you. Everyone who profanes (disrespects, defiles, violates) it shall be put to death. Whoever does any work on it, that soul shall be cut off from among his people. Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the Lord. Whoever does any work on the Sabbath day shall be put to death. Therefore the people of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a covenant forever. It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed.’”

And he gave to Moses, when he had finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai, the two tablets of the testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.

In Exodus 20: 8-11, God said, “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner (visitor) who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.”

God also said, “Observe the Sabbath day to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you, so that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave

in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out of there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to observe the Sabbath day. Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Since Jesus lived under Moses' law, he went to the synagogue to worship on the Sabbath, "as was His custom." (It was His habit to do this.) He stood up to read Scripture, and He taught in the synagogue. (Mark 1:21, 6:2; Luke 4:16, 6:6)

When the apostles were teaching Jews the gospel in Acts, they went to the synagogue where they knew they would find many Jews. They taught Jews and Gentiles about Jesus and the church. But when Christians worshiped, they worshiped on the first day of the week. Acts 20:7

Lessons to Learn: God commanded the Israelites to rest and worship Him on the seventh day of the week.

There were two reasons for the seventh day being blessed or special:

1. God created on six days and rested on the seventh day.
2. The Israelites had been slaves in Egypt and God brought them out of Egypt with His mighty hand and outstretched arm.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Sunday was a holy day for the Israelites.
- _____ 2. Anyone who did any work on the Sabbath day would be put to death.
- _____ 3. Moses wrote on the two tablets of stone.
- _____ 4. On the Sabbath, the Israelites were supposed to remember that they had been slaves in the land of Egypt, and God brought them out of there.
- _____ 5. Even animals and visitors living with the Israelites were commanded to keep the Sabbath.

Short Answer:

6. What does sanctify mean? _____

7. What would happen to anyone who did not keep the Sabbath? _____

8. The Sabbath was a sign between _____ and the people of Israel.

9. In Deuteronomy 5: 12-15, God says He brought the Israelites out of

Egypt “by a _____ hand and by an

_____ arm.”

10. What day is the Lord’s Day now? What is the special day of worship

for Christians? _____

Remember this:

11. Why did Jesus go to the synagogue on the Sabbath day? _____

12. What did He do in the synagogue? _____

13 Read Acts 20:7 and fill in the blanks.

“On the _____ of the week, when we
were gathered together to break _____, Paul talked with
them, intending to depart on the next day, and he prolonged his speech
until midnight.”

14. What day does I Corinthians 16: 1-2 say Christians gathered on and
gave as they were prospered?

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The Golden Calf

Exodus 32

Memory verse: “You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image...” Exodus 20:3-4

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, “Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.”

So Aaron said to them, “Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!”

When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord.” And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

And the Lord said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” And the Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

But Moses implored (begged) the Lord his God and said, “O Lord, why does Your wrath burn hot against Your people, whom You have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘With evil intent did He bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Your servants, to whom You swore by Your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your

offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.” And the Lord relented (changed His mind) from the disaster that He had spoken of bringing on His people.

Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both sides; on the front and on the back they were written. The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets.

When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, “There is a noise of war in the camp.” But he said, “It is not the sound of shouting for victory, or the sound of the cry of defeat, but the sound of singing that I hear.” And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses' anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. He took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it.

And Moses said to Aaron, “What did this people do to you that you have brought such a great sin upon them?”

And Aaron said, “Let not the anger of my lord burn hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil. For they said to me, ‘Make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.’ So I said to them, ‘Let any who have gold take it off.’ So they gave it to me, and I threw it into the fire, and out came this calf.”

... Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp and said, “Who is on the Lord's side? Come to me.” And all the sons of Levi gathered around him. And he said to them, “Thus says the Lord God of Israel, ‘Put your sword on your side each of you, and go to and fro from gate to gate throughout the camp, and each of you kill his brother and his companion and his neighbor.’” And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And that day about three thousand men of the people fell. And Moses said, “Today you have been ordained for the service of the Lord, each one at the cost of his son and of his brother, so that He might bestow a blessing upon you this day.”

The next day Moses said to the people, “ You have sinned a great sin. And now I will go up to the Lord; perhaps I can make atonement (“payment”) for your sin.” So Moses returned to the Lord and said, “Alas, this people has sinned a great sin. They have made for themselves gods of gold. But now, if you will forgive their sin—but if not, please blot

me out of your book that you have written.” (Moses was offering to have God punish him for the Israelites’ sins.)

But the Lord said to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against me, I will blot (erase) out of my book. But now go, lead the people to the place about which I have spoken to you; behold, my angel shall go before you. Nevertheless, in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them.”

Then the Lord sent a plague on the people, because they made the calf, the one that Aaron made.

Lessons to Learn: When Moses was up on Mt. Sinai longer than the Israelites thought he would be, they wanted to make idols gods. When Moses asked Aaron what had happened, he blamed the Israelites and lied about the golden calf. God punishes (blots out of his book) the people who sin against Him, and no one can take another person’s place. Moses convinced God not to destroy the Israelites for their great sin.

True or False:

- _____ 1. Aaron fashioned the Israelites’ jewelry and made a golden calf.
- _____ 2. God said that He could make a great nation out of Moses.
- _____ 3. Moses broke the two tablets of stone on which he had written.
- _____ 4. The Levites killed about three thousand men as punishment for their sins.
- _____ 5. God agreed to punish Moses for the Israelites’ sins.

Short Answer:

- 6. God said that He had seen the Israelites and they were a _____ - _____ people.
- 7. Did the Israelites know who rescued them out of Egypt? _____
How? _____

8. Why did Moses break the two tablets? _____

9. What did Moses do to the golden calf? _____

10. How did Aaron say the golden calf came to be? _____

Remember this:

11. Who did Moses tell God to remember His promises to?

“Remember _____, _____, and _____, Your servants, to whom You swore by Your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven...’”

12. Who was coming down the mountain with Moses and heard the noise in the camp? _____

13. What people will God blot out (erase) of His book? _____

14. There were three punishments in this lesson because the Israelites sinned greatly. What are they? What did each of these do to them?

Moses _____

Levites _____

God _____

28

God Speaks to Moses

Exodus 33:1-23

Memory verse: “The Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend.” Exodus 33:11

The Lord said to Moses, “Depart; go up from here, you and the people whom you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, ‘To your offspring I will give it.’ I will send an angel before you, and I will drive out the Canaanites, the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; but I will not go up among you, lest I consume (kill) you on the way, for you are a stiff-necked (stubborn) people.”

When the people heard this disastrous word, they mourned (felt sad), and no one put on his ornaments (jewelry). For the Lord had said to Moses, “Say to the people of Israel, ‘You are a stiff-necked people; if for a single moment I should go up among you, I would consume you. So now take off your ornaments, that I may know what to do with you.’” Therefore the people of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments, from Mount Horeb (Mt. Sinai) onward.

Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, far off from the camp, and he called it the tent of meeting. And everyone who sought (looked for) the Lord would go out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people would rise up, and each would stand at his tent door, and watch Moses until he had gone into the tent. When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the entrance of the tent, and the Lord would speak with Moses. And when all the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance of the tent, all the people would rise up and worship, each at his tent door. Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses turned again into the camp, his assistant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, would not depart from the tent.

Moses said to the Lord, “... Now therefore, if I have found favor in Your sight, please show me now Your ways, that I may know You in order to find favor in Your sight. Consider too that this nation is Your people.”

And He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

And he said to him, “If Your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in Your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

And the Lord said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.”

Moses said, “Please show me Your glory.”

And He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you My name ‘The Lord.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see My face, for man shall not see Me and live.” And the Lord said, “Behold, there is a place by Me where you shall stand on the rock, and while My glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with My hand until I have passed by. Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back, but My face shall not be seen.”

Lessons to Learn: God wanted Moses to continue traveling to the land of Canaan that He had promised to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The Israelites took off all their jewelry and did not wear it on the way to Canaan. You should remember that the Israelites got a lot of jewelry from the Egyptians right before they left the land of Egypt. Joshua was Moses’ assistant. We will learn more about him later.

True or False:

- _____ 1. At first, God said that He would not go with the Israelites because they were stubborn people.
- _____ 2. The Israelites did not feel sorry for what they had done.
(Worshipped the Golden Calf)
- _____ 3. Moses talked to God in the tent of meeting outside the camp.
- _____ 4. Moses asked God to change His mind and come with the Israelites.
- _____ 5. Moses saw God’s face as he passed by.

Short Answer:

6. God told Moses to travel to Canaan, a land flowing with _____ and _____.
7. Why did the Israelites remove their ornaments (jewelry) even before God commanded them to remove the jewelry? _____

8. Everyone who _____ (looked for) the _____ would go out to the tent of meeting.
9. “When Moses entered the tent, the _____ of _____ would descend and stand at the entrance of the tent, and the _____ would speak with Moses. Exodus 33:9
10. What made the Israelites distinct (different) from every other people?

Remember this:

11. Read Exodus 12:35-36 and fill in the blanks
- “The people of Israel had also done as Moses told them, for they had asked the Egyptians for _____ and _____ jewelry and for clothing. And the Lord had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. Thus they plundered (took the property of) the Egyptians.”**
12. What part of God did Moses see? _____

13. Why couldn't Moses or anyone else see God's face? _____

14. We know that Moses had a special relationship with God because the Bible says, "The Lord used to speak to Moses _____ to _____, as a man speaks to his _____." Exodus 33:11

15. What can we tell about God because He put Moses in a cleft of the rock and covered him with His hand when He passed by? If you are not sure, ask a parent.

He Hideth My Soul

*A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,
A wonderful Savior to me;
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,
Where rivers of pleasure I see.*

*He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,
That shadows a dry, thirsty land;
He hideth my life in the depths of His love,
And covers me there with His hand,
And covers me there with His hand.*

- Fanny Crosby 1890

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Moses Makes New Tablets

Exodus 34

Memory verse: “The Lord, a God merciful and gracious, ...and abounding in steadfast love.” Exodus 34:6

The Lord said to Moses, “Cut for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to Me on the top of the mountain. No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain. Let no flocks or herds graze opposite that mountain.”

So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone. The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity (wicked behavior) and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped. And he said, “If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked (stubborn) people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance.”

And He said, “Behold, I am making a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels, such as have not been created in all the earth or in any nation. And all the people among whom you are shall see the work of the Lord, for it is an awesome thing that I will do with you.

“Observe what I command you this day. Behold, I will drive out before you the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. Take care, lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land to which you go, lest it become a snare in your midst. ... (Don't make any agreements with these nations or they will become a temptation to you.)...

All that open the womb are mine, all your male livestock, the firstborn of cow and sheep...All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem. And none shall appear before Me empty-handed...

And the Lord said to Moses, "Write these words, for in accordance with these words I have made a covenant with you and with Israel." So he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights. He neither ate bread nor drank water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments.

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

Whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Lessons to Learn: Moses had to rewrite the Ten Commandments on new tablets of stone.

Moses asked the Lord to pardon (forgive) the Israelites' sins.

Moses was on the mountain again for forty days and nights.

God took care of Moses because Moses did not eat or drink water while he was on Mt. Sinai.

True or False:

- _____ 1. God had two new tablets of stone for Moses to write on.
- _____ 2. Moses worshipped God on the mountain.
- _____ 3. The Israelites and all the people they were around would see great marvels that God would perform.

- _____ 4. Moses face was only shining the one time he came down from Mt. Sinai.
- _____ 5. After Moses talked to God, he told the Israelites what God had commanded.

Short Answer:

6. Why did Moses have to make two new tablets of stone? _____

7. The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with Moses there, and proclaimed the _____ of the _____. (Verse 5)

8. Why didn't God want the Israelites to make covenants with the nations in the land of Canaan?

9. How long was Moses up on Mt. Sinai this time? _____

10. Why did Moses put a veil over his face? _____

Remember this:

11. Awesome means causing a very great feeling of reverence (deep respect), admiration, or fear. What did God say would be awesome? Exodus 34: 10

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12. How could Moses go without both bread and water for forty days and nights?

13. What did God say about the firstborn of animals and people?

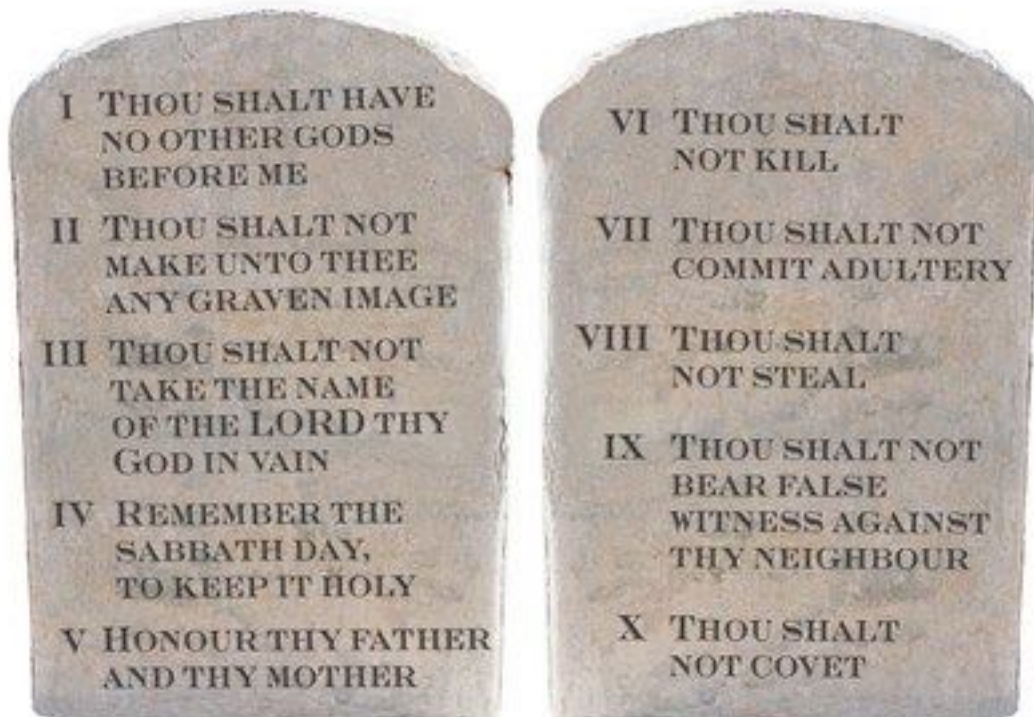
14. When the Lord descended in the cloud and proclaimed the name of the Lord, He told us many things about Himself. Circle all the things God said he was and be ready to discuss them. Exodus 34:6-7

Merciful **Abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness**

Gracious **Keeping steadfast love for thousands**

Forgiving iniquity (wicked behavior) and transgression and sin

Who will by no means clear the guilty **Slow to anger**



30

Giving For the Tabernacle

Exodus 35

Memory verse: “All the men and women, . . . whose heart moved them to bring anything . . . brought it as a freewill offering to the Lord.” Exodus 35:29

Moses said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, “This is the thing that the Lord has commanded. Take from among you a contribution to the Lord. Whoever is of a generous heart, let him bring the Lord's contribution: gold, silver, and bronze; blue and purple and scarlet (red) yarns and fine twined linen; goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, and goatskins; acacia wood, oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, and onyx stones and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the breastpiece.

“Let every skillful craftsman among you come and make all that the Lord has commanded: the tabernacle, its tent and its covering, its hooks and its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; the ark with its poles, the mercy seat, and the veil of the screen; the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; the altar of burnt offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin and its stand; the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords; the finely worked garments (clothes) for ministering in the Holy Place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, for their service as priests.”

Then all the congregation of the people of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. And they came, everyone whose heart stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him, and brought the Lord's contribution to be used for the tent of meeting, and for all its service, and for the holy garments. So they came, both men and women. All who were of a willing heart brought brooches and earrings and signet rings and armlets (bracelets), all sorts of gold objects, every man dedicating an offering of gold to the Lord. And every one who possessed blue or purple or scarlet yarns or fine linen or goats' hair or tanned rams' skins or goatskins brought them.

Everyone who could make a contribution of silver or bronze brought it as the Lord's contribution. And every one who possessed acacia wood of any use in the work brought it. And every skillful woman spun with her hands, and they all brought what they had spun in blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen. All the women whose hearts stirred them to use their skill spun the goats' hair. And the leaders brought onyx stones and stones to be set, for the ephod and for the breastpiece, and spices and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the fragrant incense. All the men and women, the people of Israel, whose heart moved them to bring anything for the work that the Lord had commanded by Moses to be done brought it as a freewill offering to the Lord.

Lessons to Learn: The Israelites brought offerings of whatever they had, and they offered of their own free will.

God asked for offerings from those who had generous hearts.

Some people used their skills to make the items needed for the Tabernacle.

True or False:

- _____ 1. God commanded each person to bring certain things.
- _____ 2. Gold was the only metal used for the Tabernacle.
- _____ 3. The garments (clothes) for Aaron and his sons the priests were holy.
- _____ 4. Everyone whose heart stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him gave things for the Tabernacle.
- _____ 5. The Israelites could give anything they wanted to bring, even if it wasn't something needed for the Tabernacle.

Short Answer:

6. What metals were used for the Tabernacle? _____

7. What color of yarns were used in the Tabernacle? _____

8. Did God ask anyone to bring something that he did not have? _____

9. Who spun the yarns and the goats' hair? _____

10. For what two things were the spices to be used? _____

Remember this:

11. Look back to Lesson 25 and see what the ephod and the breastpiece are.

12. God wants us to be generous, too. Read II Corinthians 9:7 and fill in the blanks.

“Each one must give as he has decided in his _____,

not reluctantly or under compulsion (not regretting what one gives

or not because one is forced to give), **for God loves a _____ giver.”**

13. Read Proverbs 22:9 and fill in the blanks.

“He who is generous will be _____.”

14. Now we know what some of the Egyptian jewelry was used for. What kind of jewelry did the Israelites bring to supply gold for the Tabernacle?



31

The Tabernacle Completed

Exodus 39:32-43; 40:1-38

Memory verse: “The people of Israel did according to all that the Lord had commanded Moses.” Exodus 39:32

(The craftsmen made the tabernacle and all the things in it according to God’s pattern that He gave Moses. Then they made the priests’ clothing like God had said to make them.)

Thus all the work of the Tabernacle of the tent of meeting was finished, and the people of Israel did according to all that the Lord had commanded Moses; so they did. Then they brought the Tabernacle to Moses, the tent and all its utensils, its hooks, its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; the covering of tanned rams' skins and goatskins, and the veil of the screen; the ark of the testimony with its poles and the mercy seat; the table with all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; the lampstand of pure gold and its lamps with the lamps set and all its utensils, and the oil for the light; the golden altar, the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the entrance of the tent; the bronze altar, and its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils; the basin and its stand; the hangings of the court, its pillars, and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court, its cords, and its pegs; and all the utensils for the service of the Tabernacle, for the tent of meeting; the finely worked garments for ministering in the Holy Place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons for their service as priests. According to all that the Lord had commanded Moses, so the people of Israel had done all the work. And Moses saw all the work, and behold, they had done it; as the Lord had commanded, so had they done it. Then Moses blessed them.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, “On the first day of the first month you shall erect (set up) the Tabernacle of the tent of meeting... This Moses did; according to all that the Lord commanded him, so he did... So Moses finished the work.

Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the Tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out. But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the day that it was taken

up. For the cloud of the Lord was on the Tabernacle by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel throughout all their journeys.

Lessons to Learn: The Israelites made the Tabernacle exactly as God had commanded them to make it. God always expects us to do exactly as He says.

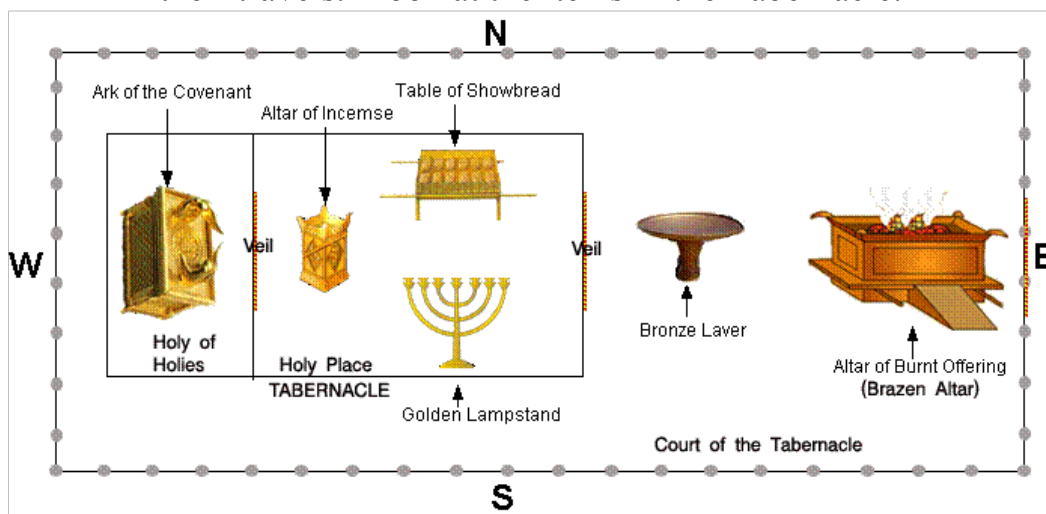
The pillar of cloud told the Israelites when they should move.

True or False:

- _____ 1. The craftsmen made the Tabernacle according to the pattern that Moses thought up.
- _____ 2. The Tabernacle was made exactly to God's pattern.
- _____ 3. The Tabernacle was to be erected (set up) on the first day of the first month.
- _____ 4. When the cloud covered the tent of meeting, Moses was in there.
- _____ 5. The Tabernacle and the tent of meeting in this lesson are the same thing.

Short Answer:

- 6. The Tabernacle was a big tent that could be moved with the Israelites on their travels. Look at the items in the Tabernacle.



7. What was in the court of the Tabernacle? (Outside the tent)

8. What furniture was in the Holy place of the Tabernacle?

9. What was in the Holy of Holies?

10. Would God have been pleased if the Tabernacle was made mostly like the pattern? _____ In other words, can people do most of what God says and be blessed for being obedient? _____

Remember this:

11. Hebrews 9:2-5 says, "For a tent was prepared, the first section, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence. It is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a second section called the Most Holy Place, having the golden altar of incense and the Ark of the Covenant covered on all sides with gold, in which was a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's staff that budded, and the tablets of the covenant. (Ten Commandments) Above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat."

What was in the Ark of the Covenant? _____

12. Read Numbers 1:50 to find out who was supposed to take care of the Tabernacle and its furnishings.

"But you shall appoint the _____ over the tabernacle of the testimony, and over all its furnishings and over all that belongs to it. They shall carry the tabernacle and all its furnishings, and they shall take care of it; they shall also camp around the tabernacle."

13. Read Hebrews 8:5 and fill in the blanks. Notice how important it was to do exactly as God said.

“For when Moses was about to erect the _____, he

was instructed by God, saying, “See that you make

_____ according to the _____ that was shown you on the mountain.”

