

A Three Year Course of Study for Adults

Section Two: Exodus Year 1, Quarter 2

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Preface

These lessons were first compiled over a three year period from April 1988 through March 1991. The then Westside church of Christ in Tallahassee, Florida (Now the Centerville Road church relocated to 4015 Centerville Road in Tallahassee) determined to place all their Sunday morning Bible classes on the *Amplified Bible Curriculum* (Hereafter referred to as *ABC*) developed by JoLinda Crump and Cathy Valdes.

While their curriculum recommended materials from preschool through senior high, we desired to place our college, young adult, and adult classes on the same schedule. The volume of material in L.A. Mott's studies, recommended in the *ABC* for source material and lesson development, did not easily lend itself to a once a week study since he designed his lessons to be studied twice each week.

Considering these factors, I took it upon myself to compile these lessons. We used them successfully while cycling through the curriculum twice in our senior high, college, young adult, and adult classes from April 1988 through March 1994. They were edited and revised prior to the second study of them. They have been revised a second time and reformatted in 1997.

I have tried to parallel the *ABC* as much as possible so that adults and children would be studying the same lesson at the same time only on different levels. But this series, or any one of its twelve study guides, may be used independently.

Each lesson contains a schedule for daily Bible reading. It can be used as a format for family devotionals in the home even if the whole family is not on the curriculum.

I hope you enjoy your study.

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Lesson One: Baby Moses

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	The Growth of the Children of Israel in Egypt (1:1-7)
Lesson Text	1. How did the children of Israel come to be in Egypt?
Exodus 1:1 - 2:10	2. What promise to Jacob was fulfilled in Egypt? (cf. Genesis 46:3;
	Exodus 12:37)
Daily Bible	
•	The Reginning of Oppression (1:8,22)
Reading	The Beginning of Oppression (1:8-22)
	3. What words to Abraham were fulfilled in Egypt? (cf. Genesis 15:13ff)
	4. Why did the new king of Egypt begin to afflict the Israelites?
Monday Exodus 1:1-14	5. Describe the measures taken against the Israelites.
Exodus 1.1-14	
Tuesday	
Exodus 1:15-22	
Thursday	The Birth of Moses (2:1-10)
Exodus 2:1-10	6. Name both the mother and father of Moses. (v. 1 with 6:20)
Friday	
Hebrews 11:23-29	7. How did the parents of Moses show their faith in God? (cf. Hebrews
Soturdov	11:23)
Saturday Acts 7:20-22	
	8. Why was it necessary to hide Moses at birth?
	9. Did the mother of Moses, in a way, obey the king? (cf. 1:22) Explain.
Lesson	
Concept	10 Why was Massa brought up as "the san of Pharach's doughter?"
	10. Why was Moses brought up as "the son of Pharaoh's daughter?" (Hebrews 11:24) What would be the effect of being brought up that
	way? (cf. Acts 7:22)
	11 How did Masses learn who hawas who his nearly ware and shout the
FAITH	11. How did Moses learn who he was, who his people were, and about the true God?
Training children in the ways of the Lord	
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Lesson Two: Moses' Life

Lesson Text	His Flight to Midian (2:11-15)1. According to Acts 7:23-25:
Exodus 2:11-25	a. How old was Moses at this time?
	b. What was Moses trying to do when he killed the Egyptian?
Daily Bible Reading	2. According to Hebrews 11:24-27:
Meading	a. What important decision did Moses have to make?
	b. What were his choices?
Monday	c. What did he decide to do?
Exodus 2:11-15 Tuesday Exodus 2:16-22	d. Are there parallel situations in our lives today in which we are called upon to make important decisions? Explain.
Thursday Exodus 2:23-25	3. Were the Israelites ready to accept the leadership of Moses at this time? What was he forced to do?
Friday Exodus 3:1-6	4. How were the Midianites related to the Israelites? (cf. Genesis 25:1-6)
Saturday Acts 7:23-29	
	His Marriage to Zipporah (2:16-22)
	5. Who was Moses' father-in-law? Wife? First son?
Lesson Concept	6. How is Moses' father-in-law identified in Exodus 3:1?
	7. Why do you think Moses was called "an Egyptian" in verse 19?
OBEDIENCE	The Cry of the Israelites (2:23-25)
Following God's will	8. How is this passage an introduction to chapter three?
	 9. What "covenant" is meant in verse 24? (cf. Genesis 12:1-3,7; 15:12-21; 17:3-8; 28:13-15; 35:9-13; 46:1-4)

Lesson Three: Moses - Deliverer of Israel

Lesson Text	The Manifestation of God in the Burning Bush (3:1-12)1. How much time had passed since Moses left Egypt? (cf. 7:7 and Acts 7:30)
Exodus 3:1 - 7:13	2. Who appeared to Moses? How? How else is this person described?
	3. What made this place "holy ground?"
Daily Bible Reading	4. What was the reason or purpose for this revelation of God?
	5. How does God respond to Moses' excuses? What qualities does God show toward him?
Monday Exodus 3:7 - 4:31	6. What assurance of success is given to Moses? What lesson, if any, can be learned from this?
Tuesday Exodus 5 Thursday	7. What would be the "token" given Moses that God had indeed sent him? How would it serve as a token? What would it show?
Exodus 6	
Friday Exodus 7:1-13 Saturday	 The Name of God and the Mission of Moses (3:13-22) 8. What is the meaning of the question, "What is his name?" (v. 13) Is it a question about a proper name or something more? Explain.
Acts 7:30-34 James 1:13	9. What name did God use for Himself? What is its significance?
	10. What is meant by calling Canaan "a land flowing with milk and honey?"
Lesson	11. What advance warning did God give Moses?
Concept	12. What is meant by the phrase "you shall not go empty-handed?" (v. 21) Was it right for the Israelites to ask these things of the Egyptians? Explain.
	Three Signs (4:1-9)
FAITH Exercising free	13. What three signs did God give Moses? Why?
moral agency	14. In what kind of situation would one expect signs to be provided? (cf. Mark 16:20; 2 Corinthians 12:12; Hebrews 2:1-4)

Aaron, Moses' Spokesman (4:10-17)

- 15. What new difficulty is brought forward by Moses?
- 16. Even though God responded to the difficulties raised by Moses with patience, what finally aroused His anger against Moses?
- 17. What solution to the difficulty of verse ten is provided by God?

Moses' Return to Egypt (4:18-31)

18. What forewarning did God give Moses as to what Pharaoh's attitude would be?

- 19. In what way was Moses to communicate to Pharaoh the gravity of God's demand?
- 20. What strange incident happened on the way to Egypt? Explain it in light of Genesis 17:9-14.
- 21. Who met Moses on the way? Where did he meet him?
- 22. What did Moses and Aaron do upon reaching Egypt? What was the reaction of the people to what they said?

The First Approach to Pharaoh and Its Consequences (5:1-21)

23. What was Pharaoh's question when Moses and Aaron appeared before him?

24. Instead of letting the children of Israel go, what did Pharaoh do?

God's Reassurances to Moses (5:22 - 6:9)

- 25. What reassurance was given to Moses by God?
- 26. List the things God promised to do for the children of Israel. What was their reaction when told of them?

The Charge to Moses (6:10-13, 28-30; 7:1-7)

- 27. What charge was given to Moses? Describe his feelings as he faced his task.
- 28. What was the evident purpose of God's reply to Moses in 7:1-3? What is meant by "I have made you as God to Pharaoh?"
- 29. By what means would God bring Israel out of Egypt? What would be the effect of delivering them by such a means?
- 30. How old were Moses and Aaron when they stood before Pharaoh?

The Genealogy of Moses and Aaron (6:14-27)

31. Judging from its closing (vv. 26-27), what is the purpose of this passage?

32. Comparing this list with the one given in Genesis 46:8-27, what is the primary difference?

The Second Appearance Before Pharaoh (7:8-13)

33. How did Moses and Aaron support their request the second time they appeared before Pharaoh?

34. In reaction to Moses and Aaron, what did Pharaoh's magicians do?

35. How was the superiority of Moses and Aaron shown?

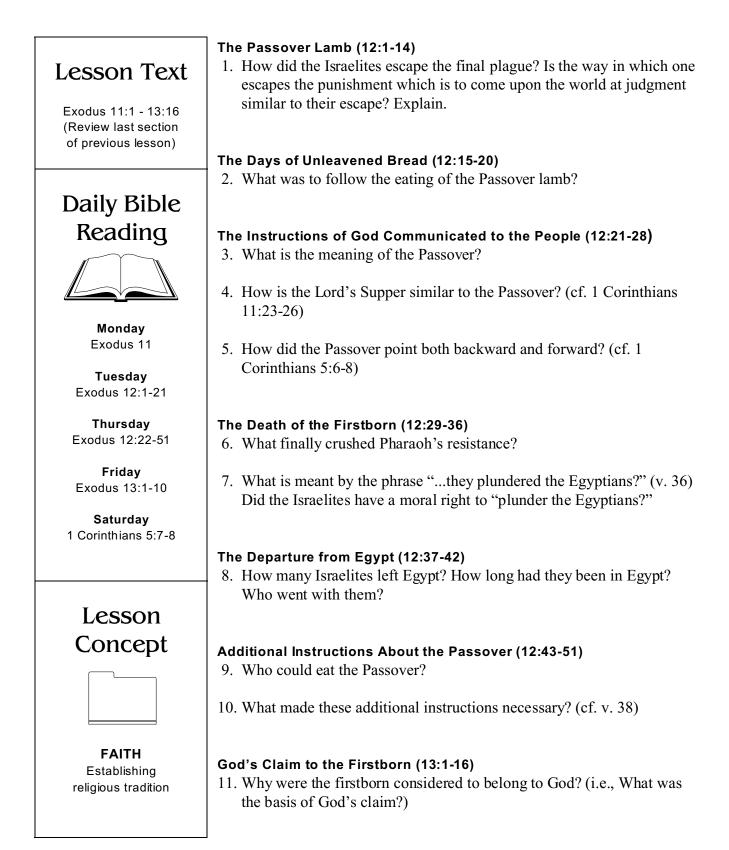
Lesson Four: God Sends Ten Plagues

Lesson Text Exodus 7:14 - 9:7	 The First Plague: Water to Blood (7:14-25) 1. Describe the first plague God brought against Egypt. 2. What seems to have hardened Pharaoh's heart so that he did not listen to Moses and Aaron?
Daily Bible Reading	 3. How do you think this miracle could be counterfeited? The Second Plague: Frogs (8:1-15) 4. Describe the effect of this plague upon Egyptian life.
Monday Exodus 7:14-25 Tuesday Exodus 8:1-15 Thursday Exodus 8:16-19	 5. What additional wonder was worked through Moses and Aaron which the magicians of Egypt could not duplicate? Do you think it was becoming clearer how Moses was made "as God to Pharaoh?" (7:1) What had Pharaoh recognized by this time? 6. What brought about the hardening of Pharaoh's heart this time?
Friday Exodus 8:20-32 Saturday Exodus 9:1-7	The Third Plague: Lice (8:16-19)7. What explanation is given by the magicians when they could not "counterfeit" this plague?
Lesson Concept	 The Fourth Plague: Flies (8:20-32) 8. Since, evidently, the magicians probably meant "the finger of a god" to be just some divine power, how did God make it clear that He, the God of Israel, was behind the plagues? 9. What is indicated as to the purpose of the plagues? (cf. 7:17; 8:9-10, 22) 10. What compromise was offered by Pharaoh and refused by Moses? How are God's people tempted to compromise today? Give an example. The Fifth Plague: The Death of the Cattle (9:1-7) 11. What animals were involved in this plague? What reaction did Pharaoh have?

Lesson Five: The Ten Plagues Continued

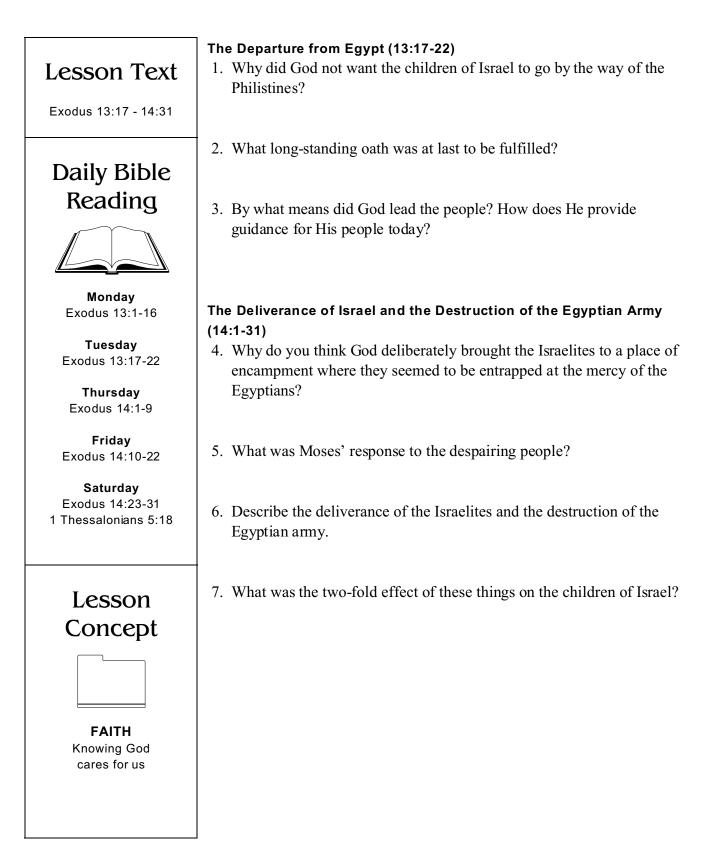
Lesson Text	The Sixth Plague: Boils (9:8-12)1. What was Moses instructed to do to cause boils to break out on the Egyptians and their animals?
Exodus 9:8 - 11:10	2. Why did Pharaoh's magicians fail to respond to this plague?
Daily Bible Reading	The Seventh Plague: Hail (9:13-35) 3. How did God show mercy even while bringing this plague?
	4. Is Pharaoh's confession (vv. 27-28) an expression of genuine repentance? Cite evidence from the text.
Monday Exodus 9:8-12	The Eighth Plague: Locusts (10:1-20) 5. What unacceptable concession was offered by Pharaoh?
Tuesday Exodus 9:13-21	6. Was genuine repentance behind Pharaoh's confession? Explain. (cf. 2 Corinthians 7:8-11)
Thursday Exodus 9:22-35	
Friday Exodus 10:1-20	The Ninth Plague: Darkness (10:21-29)7. How dark did it get? What showed this darkness to be supernatural ?
Exodus 10:1-20 Saturday	7. How dark did it get? What showed this darkness to be supernatural ?
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Exodus 10:1-20 Saturday Exodus 10:21-29	 How dark did it get? What showed this darkness to be supernatural ? What concession was Pharaoh now willing to make? Why would Moses "see (Pharaoh's) face again no more?" The Announcement of the Decisive, Final Plague (11:1-10)
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Lesson Six: The Passover

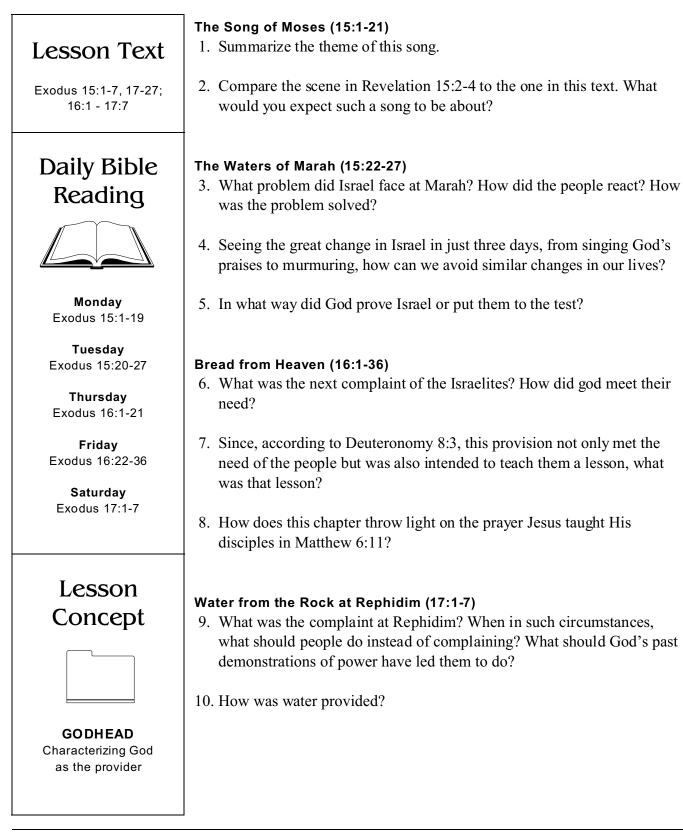


- 12. Were all the firstborn males actually given to God? Explain.
- 13. How does Numbers 3:11-13 explain the redemption of firstborn sons?
- 14. According to Numbers 18:15, what two things had to be redeemed?
- 15. Is there anything in this which is comparable to God's claim upon Christians? (cf. Romans 12:1-2)

Lesson Seven: The Exodus



Lesson Eight: God Provided Food for Israel



Lesson Nine: Israel versus the Amalekites

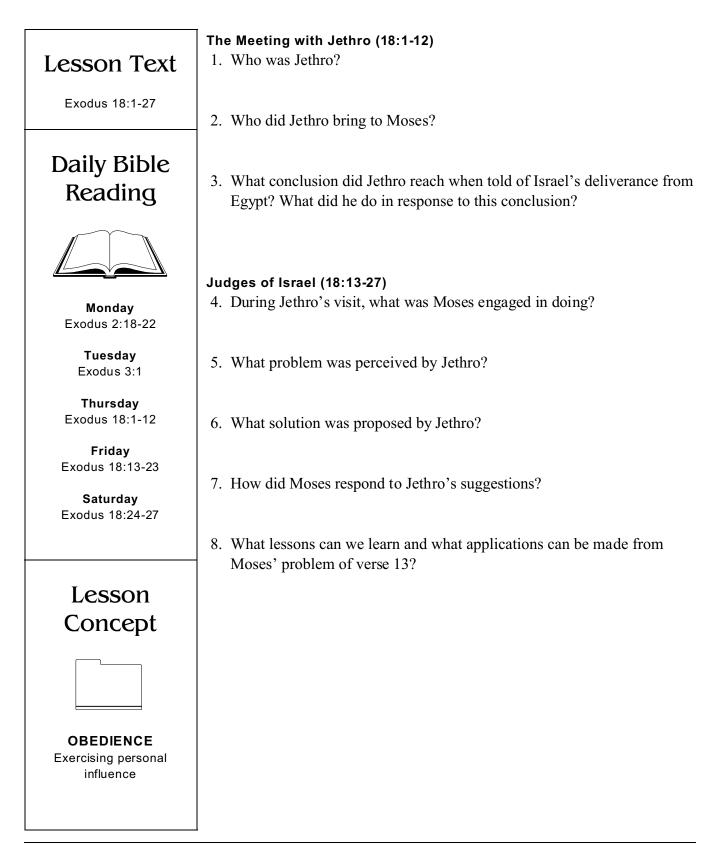
Lesson Text Exodus 17:8-16 Daily Bible Reading Monday Exodus 17:8-16 Tuesday Numbers 13:29 1 Chronicles 4:43 Thursday Exodus 15:15-18 Friday Numbers 14:25 Saturday



Numbers 14:43-45

- 1. What, according to this text, now happened to Israel at Rephidim?
- 2. What is peculiar about the way in which Israel gained this victory?
- 3. What was the significance of Moses holding up his hands?
- 4. How was it assured that Moses would be able to keep his hands raised?
- 5. Who led Israel in battle?
- 6. What did God tell Moses to write concerning Amalek? When was this prophecy fulfilled? (cf. I Samuel 15:3)
- 7. What did Moses call the altar which he built? Why?

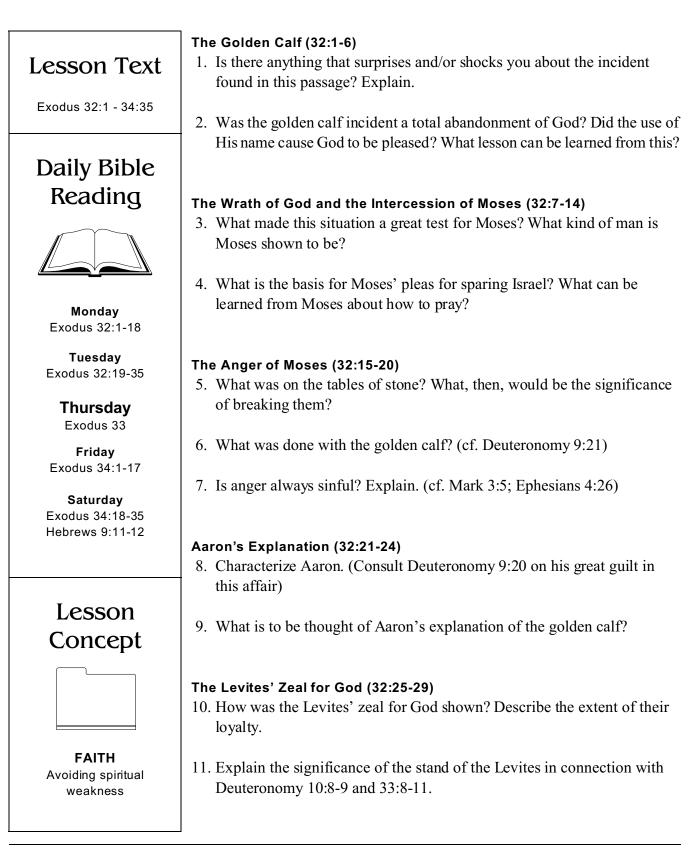
Lesson Ten: Moses and Jethro



Lesson Eleven: The Ten Commandments

Lesson Text Exodus 19:1 - 31:18	 Preparation for the Covenant (19:1-25) 1. What was the divine intent or purpose for the nation of Israel? What was the condition of their attaining that destiny? 2. Why did God come to Moses as He did?
Daily Bible Reading	3. What preparations had to be made before the law was given?4. Describe the situation when the law was given. What impression was evidently intended to be made upon the people? (cf. 20:18-21)
Monday Exodus 19-20 Tuesday Exodus 21-22 Thursday Exodus 23-25 Friday Exodus 26-28	 The Ten Commandments (20:1-17) 5. What is the force of the preamble to the commandments given in verse two? Does it supply reasons for obedience to the commandments? 6. Are any of these commandments binding in any way on Christians? (Consider Acts 14:15; 1 John 5:21; James 5:12; Colossians 2:14-16; Ephesians 6:2; 1 Peter 4:15; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Ephesians 4:28; Colossians 3:9; Ephesians 5:3)
Saturday Exodus 29-31	The Reaction of the People (20:18-21) 7. Describe the reaction of the people to the phenomena at Sinai.
Lesson Concept	8. What request did the people make? (cf. Deuteronomy 5:22-27)9. Why do you think God revealed Himself in such a terrifying manner?
GODHEAD Characterizing God as He whom we worship	

Lesson Twelve: Israel Creates a Golden Calf



The Intercession of Moses (32:30-35)

- 12. How is the strength of Moses' love for the people shown? (cf. Romans 9:3)
- 13. To what extent does the intercession of Moses succeed?

God's "Evil Tidings" to the People (33:1-6)

- 14. What were the "evil tidings" over which the people mourned?
- 15. Since this passage makes it clear that the destiny of the people has not finally been determined, on what does it depend? (i.e., What will enable God to know what to do with them?) What is the significance of this putting off of ornaments?

The Tent of Meeting (33:7-11)

- 16. Even though "tent of meeting" is the name by which the tabernacle was called in 27:21 and often thereafter, is that what is referred to here? Cite evidence for your answer.
- 17. Describe the manner in which God communicated with Moses in the period before the tabernacle was completed.
- 18. Explain the special relationship between God and Moses. What is meant by "face to face" in verse 11?

God's Self-Manifestation to Moses and the Renewal of the Covenant (33:12 - 34:28)

- 19. About what was Moses concerned? For what reassurance did he plead? Why did he so strongly desire this special manifestation of God's glory?
- 20. What was the purpose of God's self-manifestation described in 33:18-23 and 34:5-7?
- 21. What would be the significance of the second tables of stone, considering the circumstances?
- 22. Seeing that God was willing to renew the covenant with the people, briefly summarize the negative and then the positive aspects of the covenant obligations of the people.

The Shining of Moses' Face (34:29-35)

- 23. What was the effect of such a revelation of God's glory as Moses had experienced?
- 24. When was the veil used? What was its purpose?
- 25. What is the relation between God and Israel at the close of this chapter?

Lesson Thirteen: The Tabernacle

	The Law of the Sabbath (35:1-3; cf, 31:12-17)
Lesson Text	1. Why would the Sabbath law, first given in 20:8-11, be repeated now?
Exodus 35:1 - 40:38	
Exodus 33.1 - 40.36	The Command Concerning the Bringing of Materials (35:4-9; cf, 25:1-7)
	2. How were the materials for the building of the tabernacle obtained? Who was to bring them?
Daily Bible	
Reading	The Call for the Skillful to Make the Tabernacle and Its Accessories
	(35:10-19)
	3. What is the expression used to describe those possessing skills required for the various jobs?
Monday Exodus 35	The Obedience of the People (35:20-29)
Tuesday	4. Describe the attitude of those who brought contributions.
Exodus 36-37	5. What part did women have in the work?
Thursday	
Exodus 38	Bezalel and Oholiab Put Before the People as Master-Builders
Friday Exodus 39	(35:30 - 36:1)
	6. Define the role of Bezalel and Oholiab in the building of the tabernacle.
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The Garments of the Priests (39:1-31)

- 13. Of what did the ephod of the high priest consist?
- 14. Describe the high priest's breastplate.
- 15. What other garments were worn by the priests?

Delivery of the Finished Work to Moses (39:32-43)

16. What did Moses find upon inspection of all the work? What did he, therefore, do?

The Erection and Consecration of the Tabernacle (40:1-33)

17. Approximately how long did it take to build the tabernacle?

18. Why do you think in verses 17 through 33, emphasis is placed on Moses' exact obedience?

The Presence of God Manifested in the Tabernacle (40:34-38; cf. Numbers 9:15-23)

19. In what way did God manifest His presence in the tabernacle?

20. Connect this passage with the divine order given concerning the tabernacle in 25:8.

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