

The Bible Challenge

Week 6

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Day 036 / Exo 19-21

1. List all the natural phenomena and events that happen as God is descending on the mountain in 19:16-20. Describe the scene. What does God ask Moses to do in the midst of all this?
2. As God is delivering the Ten Commandments to Moses in chapter 20, how does He begin the conversation? What might God be emphasizing by opening this way?
3. How would you summarize the theme of the first four commandments? How would you summarize the theme of the final six commandments?
4. In the second commandment (20:4-6), does the emphasis seem to be on not making the object or not worshipping the object? Or both?
5. Look up the word "jealous" (20:5) in a Hebrew lexicon and write down what you find. (Blue Letter Bible's Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon is especially helpful here).

Day 037 / Exo 22-24

1. Review 22:1, 22:4, and 22:7. For each verse, write down how much was stolen and how much God ordered as repayment. Why might God set things up this way?
2. According to Deuteronomy 22:25, the penalty for rape is death. How is what's described in 22:16-17 different?
3. Look up the word "sojourner" in a dictionary, Bible dictionary, and/or Hebrew lexicon. Write down what you find.
4. Review 22:21-27 and 23:4-9. What do these verses reveal about God's heart?
5. Review 24:7-8. What kind of message or symbolism does it seem like Moses is communicating through his actions in 24:8?



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Day 038 / Exo 25-27

1. Use a study Bible or search engine to find the length of a cubit. Based on the measurements listed in 25:10, determine the height, width, and depth of the Ark of the Covenant. To help visualize its size, think of a common object that has roughly the same dimensions and write it down.
2. One gold cherub is carved on each end of the Mercy Seat (25:18-19). Cherubim are unique heavenly creatures that are described in great detail in Ezekiel 1 and 10. Read Ezekiel 1:5-18 and write down a brief summary of the description he gives.
3. Look up the word "meet" (25:22) in a Hebrew lexicon. What are some other common uses for this word? Based on the other meanings, what picture does that give us of the beauty of this Mercy Seat?
4. Throughout today's reading, God orders them to make things "of one piece" or "a single whole". Why might this be important symbolically and/or practically?

Day 039 / Exo 28-29

1. According to 28:3, who equips the skilled with their skills? How?
2. Look up the word "holy" in a dictionary or Bible dictionary and write down the definition. If there are any words in the definition that you can't define, look those up too.
3. Look up "Urim" and "Thummim" (28:30) in a Hebrew lexicon and summarize what you find.
4. Look up the word "consecrate" in a dictionary or Bible dictionary and write down the definition. If there are any words in the definition that you can't define, look those up too.
5. Review 29:19-20. Can you think of any symbolic and/or practical reasons why the tip of the ear, finger, and toe are the chosen spots for marking the priests with blood?



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Day 040 / Exo 30-32

1. Do a web search to see how much a Biblical half shekel is worth in today's money. This one-time census tax serves as a ransom for their lives (30:12, 16). What does this fixed-rate tax reveal about God's heart for His people?
2. Bezalel is called to craft things for God's dwelling place. Review Exodus 20:4-6. Why isn't Bezalel's work sinful?
3. How do the people view God's timeline in meeting with Moses (32:1)? How does God view the timeline (32:7-8)? What can we learn from this?
4. Review 32:1-6. Going verse by verse, trace the root of their sin to its full blown manifestation in idolatry. What lie(s) are they believing about God that lead to their eventual idolatry?
5. In 32:7-35, God sees the people worshipping a golden calf and wants to destroy them all. Moses begs Him to relent. Moments later, Moses sees it with his own eyes, rages with fury, and punishes them all. Later, God punishes the guilty specifically. What does this juxtaposition between God's response and Moses' response reveal to us about God?

Day 041 / Exo 33-35

1. What's the name of the structure and location where Moses meets with God to talk (33:7)? Summarize how this structure and location is different from the tabernacle God recently instructed them to build for Him (25:8-9 specifically, plus all of chapters 25-30 in general)?
2. Look up the word "face" (33:11) in a Hebrew lexicon. What other definitions are offered here that help build out our understanding of what this means?
3. In 33:16, what does Moses list as the thing that makes this people unique?
4. Exodus 34:6-7 is the passage quoted most frequently elsewhere in Scripture. It is God's description of Himself. Write down each adjective or description in the order they appear in the text. Do any of these traits seem undesirable or unrighteous to you? If so, is there any explanation for how that could still fit with God's character? Use a study Bible if you need help.
5. The Israelites are former slaves living in the desert. Where did they get the things described in 35:4-19 that were used to build the tabernacle?



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Day 042 / Exo 36-38

1. Read Hebrews 9:23-24 (and the surrounding context, if it's helpful). Twice in these verses, the author calls the tabernacle a "copy" of something else. What is it a copy of?
2. According to 36:2-7, how much do the people bring to contribute to the tabernacle?
3. Write a list of the seven pieces of furniture in the tabernacle, with one piece listed on each line.

4. Beside each piece of furniture, write its practical purpose.

5. Besides its practical purpose, write its spiritual significance. Use a Study Bible if you need help.

