

# Intro to EXODUS

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- Recap from last week

The book of Genesis introduces us to the stories of the creation, the fall, Noah and the flood, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. More importantly, the first book in this collective love letter to mankind reveals the heart of God and the purpose of God—He has a deliberate plan and purpose for creating us. He has a clear plan for redeeming us, and more importantly, a desire for us to know Him and love Him.

Genesis ends with Joseph and his brothers enjoying famine relief in Egypt, where Joseph was in charge of the storing and disbursement of food.

- Intro to Exodus

Exodus = “the way out...the exit” And the book chronicles the exit of the children of Israel from the Nation of Egypt. Chapter 1 of Exodus gives background info as to Israel’s transition from a free people to the slaves of Egypt under a new king who did not know Joseph.

The time frame for the Exodus is believed to be around 1445 to 1440 BC, during the reign of Amenhotep II. Scriptural evidence is found in I Kings 6:1 that the Exodus occurred 480 years before the fourth year of Solomon’s reign, which would place it at 1445.

- Exodus: Chapter by Chapter Synopsis

Chapter 1: Children of Israel multiply in Egypt, a new King takes over who enslaves the Hebrews and issues a decree to kill every firstborn.

Chapter 2: Moses is born, serves household of Pharaoh, kills the Egyptian, flees to Midian, marries Zipporah and has Gershom. Pharaoh dies and a new Pharaoh is installed as king of Egypt.

Chapter 3: God calls Moses at the burning bush

Chapter 4: Moses resists the call, then succumbs. He returns to Egypt and presents himself to Israel.

Chapter 5: Moses confronts Pharaoh, Pharaoh refuses, makes life harder on Israel, and Moses becomes disillusioned.

Chapter 6: God reaffirms His promises, His covenant, and His love for Israel.

Chapter 7: **Moses and Aaron confront Pharaoh, rod turns to serpent, water is turned to blood, Pharaoh’s heart hardens.**

Chapter 8: Plagues continue (frogs, lice, flies), Pharaoh releases the Israelites, then changes his mind

Chapter 9: Plagues continue (livestock disease, boils, hail),

Chapter 10: **Plagues continue (locusts, darkness), Pharaoh’s heart continues to harden**

Chapter 11: Plague of death of the firstborn of Egypt revealed

Chapter 12: The first Passover. Death angel takes the lives of the firstborn but passes over every house that is marked by the blood of the lamb. Pharaoh frees Israel.

Chapter 13: God leads Israel with cloud by day and fire by night.

Chapter 14: The Red Sea Experience

Chapter 15: The Song of Moses

Chapter 16: The Quail and the Manna

Chapter 17: Moses strikes the rock for water

Chapter 18: Jethro and the lesson on delegating and sharing the load

Chapter 19: Moses meets God on Mt. Sinai

Chapter 20: The Ten Commandments

Chapters 21—24: Institution of the Law

Chapters 25—31: Institution of the Tabernacle and the Priests

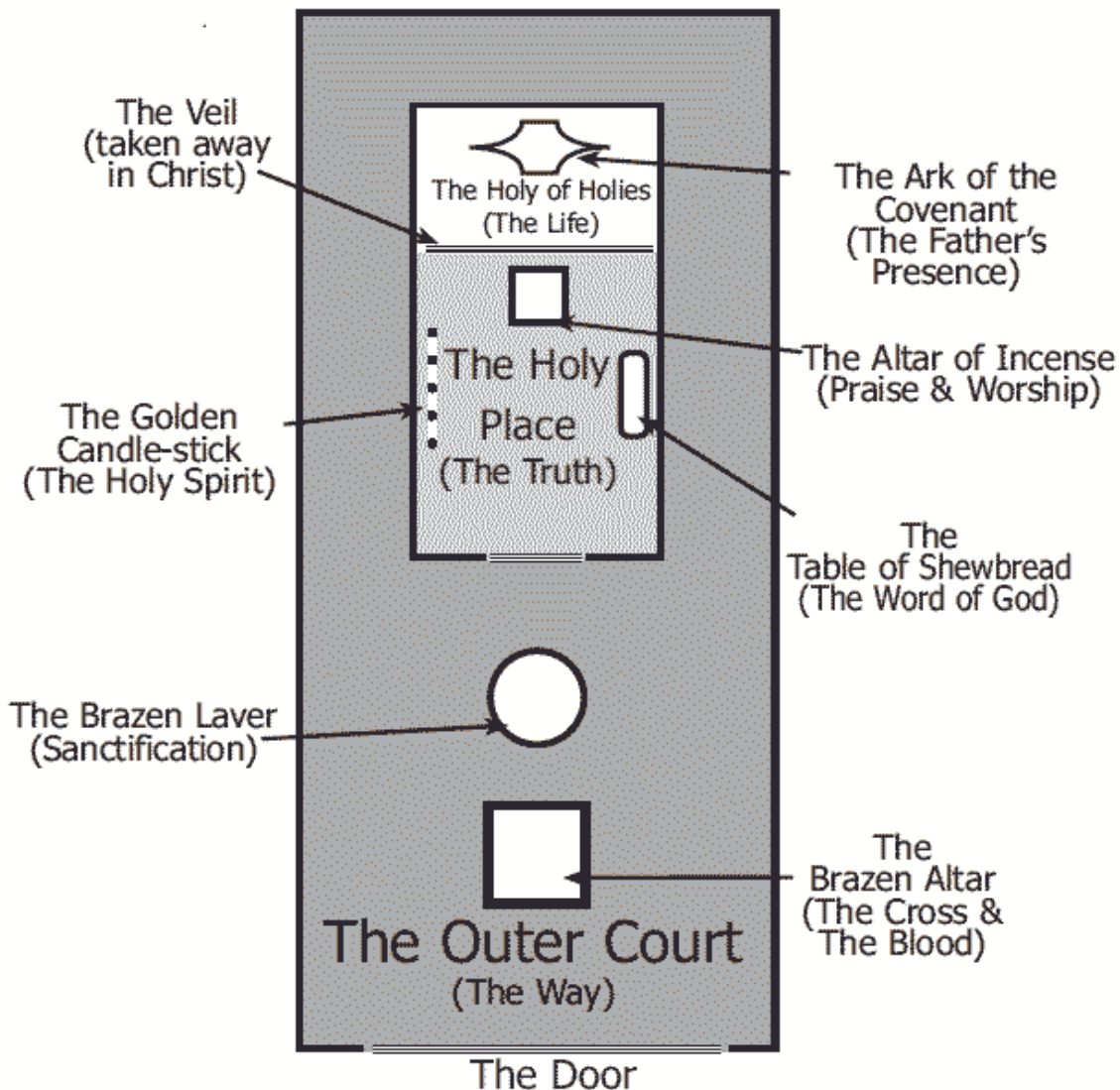
Chapter 32: Israel rebels and Aaron creates golden calf. Moses hurls and breaks the tablets. Moses intercedes on behalf of the people

Chapter 33: Israel repents and Moses prays for the people

Chapter 34: God renews his covenant, issues new tablets to Moses.

Chapter 35—40: Moses and the Children of Israel construct the Tabernacle

- The Tabernacle



God used the tabernacle to show his people that He chose to live among them. God was making a statement about His relationship with the Israelites. He had chosen them to be His special people to communicate to the world about Himself.

More "Life Lessons..."

- God Has A Plan
- God wants us to know Him
- God's grace is greater than we know
- God says "You must know me if you're going to trust me"