

## Exodus 35-40 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. In Ex 36:1-7 describe the builders (v1, 2, 4) and whose design they followed (v1). How did the people give (v3, 4-5, 7) and what did Moses have to do (v6)? Apply.

5. According to 36:8-38 what were the different elements of the tabernacle that were built (v8-13, 14-19, 20-30, 31-34, 35-38)?

6. Looking at Ex 37-38 what pieces of furniture were made (37:1-9, 10-16, 17-24, 25-29, 38:1-7, 8)? What was made next (38:9-20) and what was the weight of the metals (v24-29)?

7. Using 39:1-31 what different elements of the priestly garments were made (v1-5, 6-7, 8-21, 22-26, 27-29, 30-31)? How did they do this (v1, 5, 7, 21, 26, 29, 31)? What does this show?

8. From 39:32-43 what did Israel do with all they had made (v32-42)? What was Moses' twofold response (v43)? Why (v43)?

9. Based on 40:1-33 what did Moses do next (v17) and in what order (v18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24-25, 26-27, 28, 29, 30, 31-32, 33)? When did he do it (v2) and why (v1, 3-16)?

10. Read 40:34-38. What happened when the work was finished (v34-35) and how did this continue (v36-38)? What does this reveal as the twofold purpose of the project? How would this encourage Israel?

11. Looking back over Ex 35-40 identify the various elements that made this building project successful (35:10, 21, 30; 36:5; 39:43; 40:33). Why did God "come" when they "built it"? How can you apply this to your life?

### Scripture to Remember

"This is the thing which the Lord has commanded, saying, "Take from among you a contribution to the Lord; whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as the Lord's contribution."

*Exodus 35:4-5 (NASV)*

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### Life Group Questions—Radical Faith Heroes –Abraham—Heb 11:8-19

*(Using questions based on today's message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)*

1. Share with the group the farthest you ever moved from home and why you did it. What was that experience like?
2. Read Heb 11:8-12. What is your typical response when there is more "month than money"? How can we relate our faith in God to this situation?
3. Which causes you the greatest struggle, feeling alone and defenseless, or the difficulty of waiting? Practically, how do you apply your faith in God to these struggles?
4. Of the things that Abraham left behind—religion, respectability, relatives or riches—which is most difficult for you? Why was Abraham willing (Heb 11:9-10)?
5. Look at Heb 11:17-19. How was Abraham able to sacrifice Isaac? What would enable you to make such a choice?
6. Discuss how this statement is true of Abraham and how it applies to your life: "Failure isn't final and success isn't guaranteed."
7. How can you cultivate the truth that "Yesterday's faith isn't sufficient for today's challenges"?



# BIRTH OF A NATION

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## If You Build It He Will Come

### Introduction to Exodus 35-40



**God birthed a nation through suffering to save the world.**

Moses did just this in the order God gave him. With everything set up Moses consecrated and dressed Aaron and his sons, and the project was finished. Then the promised Presence, the glory of the Lord, descended in a cloud. His glory was so thick in the tabernacle that there was no room inside even for Moses. As the years would pass during Israel's wanderings in the wilderness the Lord's glory would remain over the tabernacle or would guide them to another spot. He had fulfilled His promise to them that if they built it, He would come.

In the 1989 movie, "Field of Dreams", Ray Kinsella is told "If you build it, he will come". If he would build a baseball diamond in his cornfield he would be able to fulfill his boyhood desire to play catch with his now deceased dad. He would return if Kinsella obeyed the voice. This is essentially what happened to Israel in the wilderness. God told them to build a place to meet with Him (the tabernacle) and He would come. In this week's study Israel followed Moses' leadership and did just this. There were first some preliminary preparations that were made. The command to set apart the seventh day had to be underscored, then all the materials had to be gathered. These contributions were freely made by everyone whose heart stirred them, and every-

one contributed according to what they had and according to their ability. The response was so overwhelming that they were told to stop bringing gifts since there was more than enough. Next, they carried out very precise production of the tabernacle—based on the Lord's design given to Moses on the mountain. Much like a contractor building according to a set of plans, the people built the tabernacle, furniture, and outer courtyard, and then made the priestly garments—exactly as God had specified. Once this was complete they brought everything they had made to Moses, who then examined them to insure that they had specifically obeyed the Lord's commands. When he was certain of this he blessed the people. The Lord then told Moses to set up everything on the first day of the first month.

#### The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God's pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God's family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

## Daily Study Questions for Exodus 35-40

(For answers to questions attend an ABF or go to [www.celebrationnet.com](http://www.celebrationnet.com), small groups, abf)

<p>1. Read Exodus 35:1-3. Describe the seventh (Sabbath) day (v2) and its prohibited activity (v2, 3). Why do you think this command (v2) was repeated just before the construction of the tabernacle began?</p>	
<p>2. From 35:4-19 who was to contribute (v5) and what was given (v6-9)? How would it all (v11-19) be made (v10) and what does this teach us?</p>	
<p>3. Using 35:20-35 how did the people give (v20-21, 29) and why did each give what they did (v22-29)? What principles of giving does this teach? Who oversaw the work (v30, 34) and why (v31, 34-35)?</p>	

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