## EXODUS: THE WAY OUT

Exodus 40

I. A change of <u>HEART</u> leads to <u>OBEDIENCE</u> and <u>BLESSING</u>.

(Exod. 39:42-43)

The problem? Our HEARTS are focused on OURSELVES.

2. God's Presence is centered on the HEART (of the TABERNACLE.)

(Exod. 40:1-8)

Our HEARTS should be focused on GOD'S PRESENCE.

3. God's Presence requires <u>COMPLETE</u> <u>HOLINESS</u>, and <u>COMPLETE</u> <u>OBEDIENCE</u>. (Exod. 40:9-33)

We come to God's Presence...

- ... by entering a completely <u>HOLY</u> tabernacle in <u>JESUS</u>.
- ... through a completely <u>HOLY</u> high priest in <u>JESUS</u>.
- ... by the complete **<u>OBEDIENCE</u>** of <u>JESUS</u>.

4. God's Presence <u>COMFORTS</u> and <u>LEADES</u> His People. (Exod. 40:34-38)

God's Presence is centered on the work of **JESUS**:

The **GOSPEL**.

What shall we call Exodus? "THE (TRUE) WAY OUT"

What will you center your tabernacle on?

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## FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

I. As you consider your journey through Exodus, if you were to add a "sub-title" to the name — what would you call it and why?

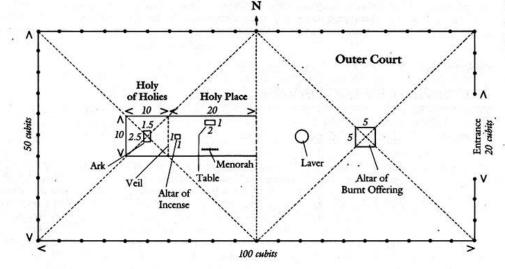
2. What is it about the people in Exodus that leads them to obedience one moment, and rebellion the next? Why is remaining focused on God so hard?

3. How is Jesus a "completely holy tabernacle"? How are we to reflect that? (See John 1:12-14, Hebrews 7:22-8:2, Hebrews 9:11-12, Matthew 27:50-51, Ephesians 2:18-22)

4. Think about God purposefully having His presence reside above the Mercy Seat of the ark. What is the purpose in that? (See Exodus 25:22, Leviticus 16:14-15, Hebrews 9:3-5)

5. God's plan shows such intentional detail. What specific things can we do to intentionally center our lives around "The Gospel"?

6. If God's dwelling place, the tabernacle, is intentionally designed around pointing to the Gospel, how are you proactively designing your life (the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit) to point others to the Gospel?



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