



EXODUS 40

IN 5 MINUTES

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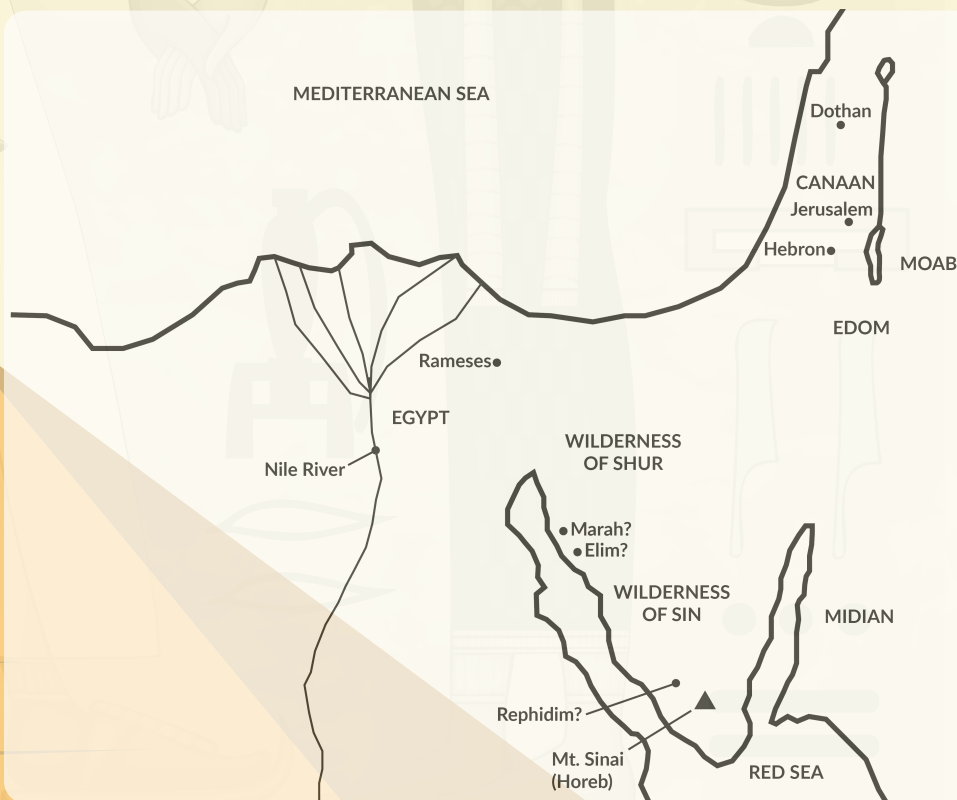
- God delivered the Israelites from slavery in approximately 1491 B.C.
- Chapter 40 verse 2 tells us the Tabernacle was finished and erected for the first time 1 year after the Israelites left Egypt.

Characters:

- **Moses** – Moses was selected by God to lead the Israelites to Canaan. God spoke directly to Moses and Moses communicated God's words to the people.
- **Israelites (Hebrews)** – The descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God granted them freedom after several hundred years in slavery in Egypt.
- **Bezalel and Oholiab** – Two men specially gifted with the Spirit of God to help in the construction of the Tabernacles and the holy items within it.

Where:

- When Moses relayed God's instructions regarding the Tabernacle to the Israelites, the people were camped at Mount Sinai.



Outline:

- THE TABERNACLE IS ERECTED (40:1-33):

- + God told Moses to bring all of the pieces of the Tabernacle together and erect the tent on the 1st day of the 1st month.
- + "Moses erected the tabernacle. He laid its bases, and set up its frames, and put in its poles, and raised up its pillars."
- + The Ark of the Covenant was put in the interior room of the Tabernacle and the stone tablets of the testimony were placed inside the Ark.
- + The mercy seat was set above the Ark.
- + A veil separated the Most Holy Place, where the Ark was placed, from the Holy Place.
- + The Holy place contained the altar of incense, the golden table on which was place the Bread of the Presence, and the golden lampstand.
- + A screen covered the entrance to the tent.
- + The Israelites erected the pillars and curtains of the courtyard and put the bronze altar of burnt offerings and the bronze basin for washing within the court.
- + When everything was in place, Moses was to take the holy anointing oil and anoint everything in the Tabernacle and in the court.
- + Aaron and his sons were also to be anointed because they were to be the priests who served in the Tabernacle.

- GOD'S GLORY FILLS THE TABERNACLE (40:34-38):

- + When Moses and the people finished constructing and consecrating the structure, "the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle."
- + Throughout all the journeys of the Israelites, the pillar of cloud remained over the Tabernacle during the day and a pillar of fire was over it at night.
- + Whenever the pillar of cloud lifted off the Tabernacle and began moving, the Israelites would break camp and follow it to their next destination.



This diagram reflects God's instructions for the Tabernacle through Exodus 40.

- 1 Cubit -
- 2.5 Cubits —
- 5 Cubits —
- 10 Cubits —

