

## I. Exodus

### A. Introduction

1. Title
  - a. LXX: "Exodus" - exit, departure
2. The Date of Events: from Jacob's entrance into Egypt (1876 B.C.) to the building of the Tabernacle (1445 B.C.)
3. Big picture of Exodus:
  - The God and Lord of creation made the Abrahamic Covenant in Genesis
  - The Lord proceeds to fulfill the part of his promise to gather a people through whom the world would be blessed; much of that involves the exodus from Egypt
  - Genesis ended with the promise family of Abraham at about 70 people. A few hundred years have passed and we will be up to 600,000 men (Exod. 12:37).
  - What has happened w/ God's promise to Abraham that this nation through you will become as numerous as the visible stars?
  - Exodus 3-40 is about a 2-year period.

### B. Outline

Geographical [MSB, 93]

1. God's Chosen People in Egypt (1:1-12:36)
2. God's Chosen People Redeemed from Egypt & Brought to Sinai (12:37-18:27)
3. God's Chosen People at Sinai (19:1-40:38)

C. Major Themes

1. God's Sovereign Grace in Redemption (6:6; 15:13) & Deliverance (2:19; 3:8-12; 6:6-8; 7:4; 12:17, 42, 51; 13:3, 9, 14, 16; 16:6, 32; 18:1; 19:4; 20:2; 29:46; 32:1-4, 11; 33:1, 12)

Exodus 9:14-17 "For this time I will send all My plagues on you and your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is no one like Me in all the earth. <sup>15</sup> For *if by* now I had put forth My hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, you would then have been cut off from the earth. <sup>16</sup> But, indeed, for this reason I have allowed you to remain, in order to show you My power and in order to proclaim My name through all the earth. <sup>17</sup> Still you exalt yourself against My people by not letting them go."

Romans 9:18-20 So then He has mercy on whom He desires, and He hardens whom He desires. <sup>19</sup> You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?" <sup>20</sup> On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God? The thing molded will not say to the molder, "Why did you make me like this," will it?

Exodus 10:1-2 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart and the heart of his servants, that I may perform these signs of Mine among them, <sup>2</sup> and that you may tell in the hearing of your son, and of your grandson, how I made a mockery of the Egyptians and how I performed My signs among them, that you may know that I am the LORD."

Exodus 14:4 "Thus I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will chase after them; and I will be honored through Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD." And they did so.

Exodus 14:13-14 But Moses said to the people, "Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of the LORD which He will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see them again forever. The LORD will fight for you while you keep silent."

2. Yahweh

- a. The Name of Yahweh (3:13-15; 6:2-8; 9:16; 15:3; 20:7, 24; 23:21; 33:12-34:9,14)

Exodus 3:6-7 He said also, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. <sup>7</sup> The LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt, and have given heed to their cry because of their taskmasters, for I am aware of their sufferings.

Exodus 3:13-14 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' "

- b. The Knowledge of Yahweh (5:2; 6:3, 7; 7:5, 17; 8:10, 22; 9:14, 29, 30; 10:2; 14:4, 18; 16:6, 12; 18:11; 29:46; 31:13; 33:12, 13)

- c. The Fear of Yahweh (1:17, 21; 9:20, 30; 14:31; 18:21; 20:20)

3. Holiness (3:5; 12:16; 13:2; 15:11, 13; 16:23; 19:6, 10, 14, 22, 23; 20:8, 11; 22:31; 26:33, 34; 28:2, 3, 4, 29, 35, 36, 38, 41, 43; 29:1, 6, 21, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 37, 44; 30:10; 31:10; 35:2)

4. The Patriarchs (2:24; 3:6, 15, 16; 4:5; 6:3, 8; 32:13; 33:1)

- Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

5. The Covenants

- a. The Abrahamic (2:24; 6:4, 5)

- b. The Sinaitic [Mosaic] (19:5; 20-23; 24:7, 8; 31:16; 34:10-27)

-Covenants so far:

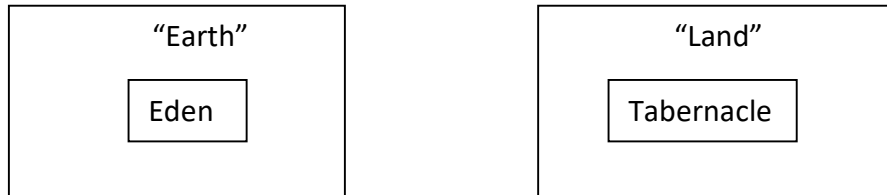
1. Noahic (Gen 8:20-9:17)-Man's ultimate blessing
2. Abrahamic (Gen 12:1-3, 15:1-21) YHWH's blessing
  1. Individual-Coming King
  2. National-Nation of Israel
  3. Worldwide-All the nations-God blesses them so they might be a blessing to the nations
3. Mosaic (Ex 19:1-24:18) YHWH's nation. If Israel obeys God faithfully, they will be:
  1. YHWH's special treasure w/ unequalled protection
  2. Kingdom of priests
  3. Holy Nation
  4. the sign of the Mosaic covenant is the Sabbath, just as the rainbow w/ Noahic
6. The Sabbath (16:23, 25, 26, 29; 20:8-11; 23:10-12; 31:13-17; 35:2, 3)
7. The Passover (12, 34) & Unleavened Bread (12, 13, 23, 34)
8. The Decalogue (20:3-17; 31:18; 32:15-19; 34:27-29)

The 10 Commandments List in Exodus 20:2-17

1. You shall have no other gods before Me (20:3).
2. You shall not make idols (20:4-6).
3. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain (20:7).
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy (20:8-11).
5. Honor your father and your mother (20:12).
6. You shall not murder (20:13).
7. You shall not commit adultery (20:14).
8. You shall not steal (20:15).
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor (20:16).
10. You shall not covet (20:17).

Romans 3:19-20 Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God; <sup>20</sup> because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

9. The Tabernacle (25-31; 34-40)



- Tabernacle not only an interesting building; by the revelation of God, it's the place where God will commune w/ His people and Israel will fellowship w/ their God.

10. The Wilderness (3:1, 18; 4:27; 5:1, 3; 7:16; 8:27, 28; 13:18, 20; 14:3, 11, 12; 15:22; 16:1, 2, 3, 10, 14, 32; 17:1; 18:5; 19:1, 2; 23:31)

C. Purpose: Yahweh (the God of Creation & the Patriarchs) redeemed the Sons of Israel from bondage in Egypt and entered into a Covenant with the Nation of Israel at Sinai.

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E. Selected Interpretive Problems