

— THE BOOK OF —
EXODUS

Spring, 2026
LG Congregation

July 26, 2026

Schedule

Christian Formation - Spring 2026	
Date	Topic
	Exodus
April 5	
April 12	
April 19	<i>God Has a Plan (Ex 1)</i>
April 26	<i>God Molds His Man (Ex 2-4)</i>
May 3	<i>Promises & Purposes (Ex 5-6)</i>
May 10	<i>Plagues & Purposes (Ex 7-10)</i>
May 17	<i>Passover Grace (Ex 11-12)</i>
May 24	
May 31	<i>God's Sovereignty (Ex 13-17)</i>
June 7	<i>Meeting God (Ex 18-19)</i>
June 14	<i>Ten Commandments (Ex 20-23)</i>
June 21	<i>Covenant & Tabernacle (Ex 24-27)</i>
June 28	<i>Divine Designs (Ex 28-31)</i>
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July 12	<i>Shameful Episode (Ex 32-34)</i>
July 19	<i>Worship Workshop (Ex 35-39)</i>
July 26	<i>God's Exit Strategy (Ex 40)</i>



Background

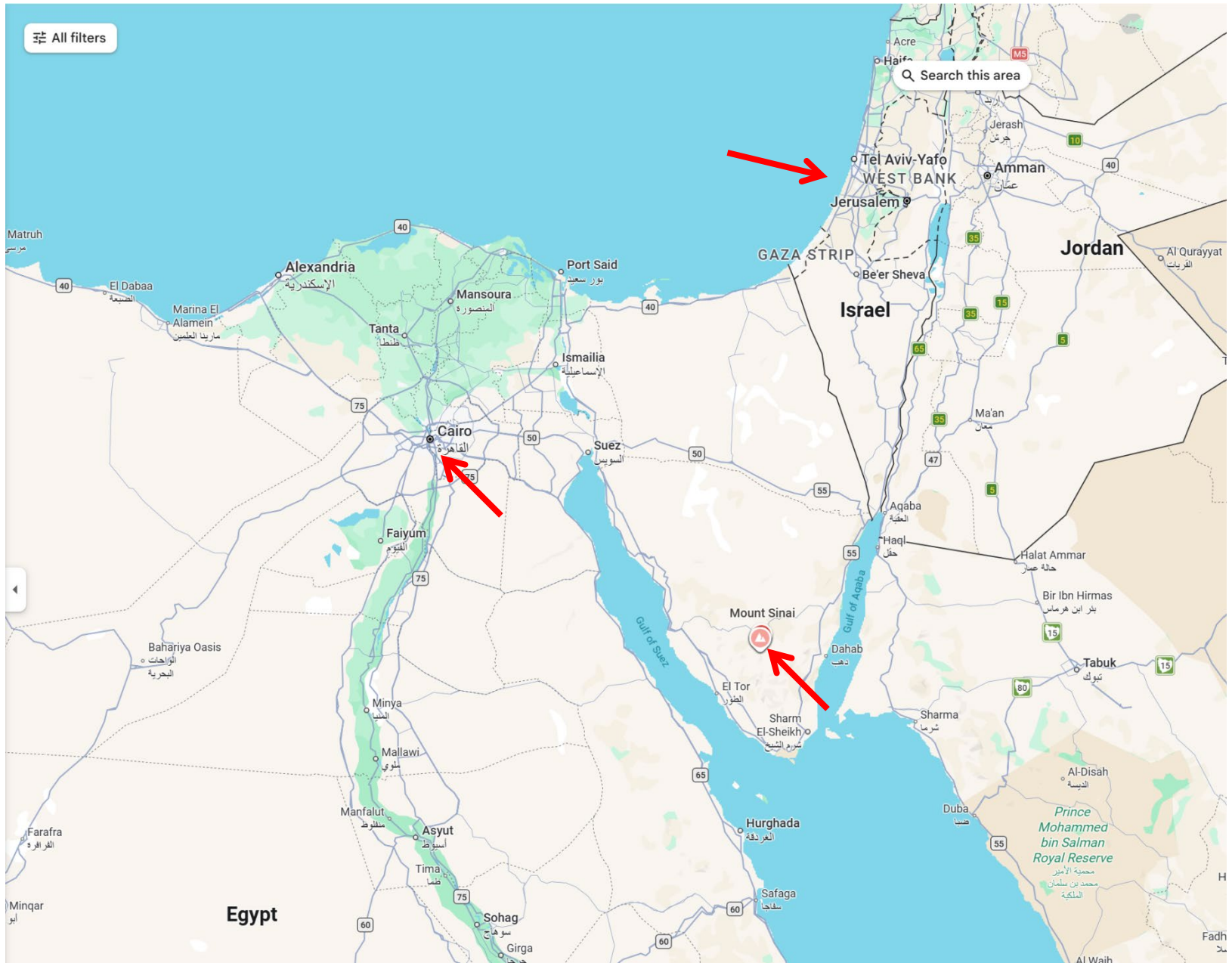
- The Israelites in Slavery (Exodus 1-2)
- God Calls Moses (Exodus 3-4)
- The Ten Plagues of Egypt (Exodus 5-12)
- The Red Sea Crossing (Exodus 13-15)
- God Provides in the Wilderness (Exodus 16-17)
- The Ten Commandments & God's Law (Exodus 19-24)
- The Golden Calf & God's Mercy (Exodus 32-34)
- The Tabernacle – God's Dwelling Place (Exodus 35-40)

Very readable book with many application lessons

Exodus



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Summary of the Book of Exodus

Chap. 1 - 7. Introduce Moses and the Israelites in bondage in Egypt. The new Pharaoh was fearful of the Israelites and persecuted them. God protects baby Moses eventually calls Moses with a special revelation (burning bush) to release His people from slavery in Egypt (3)

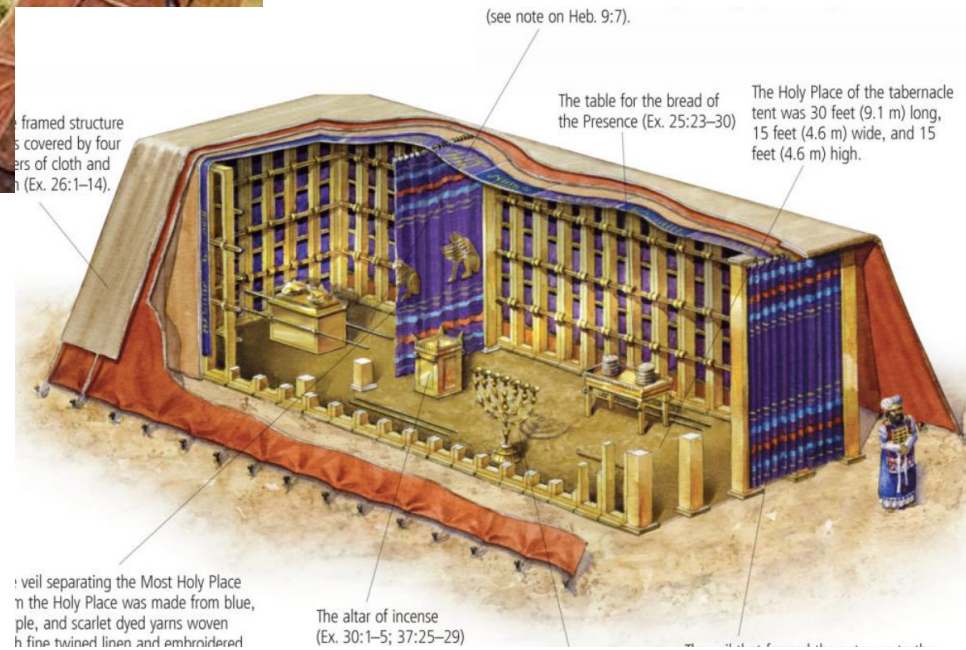
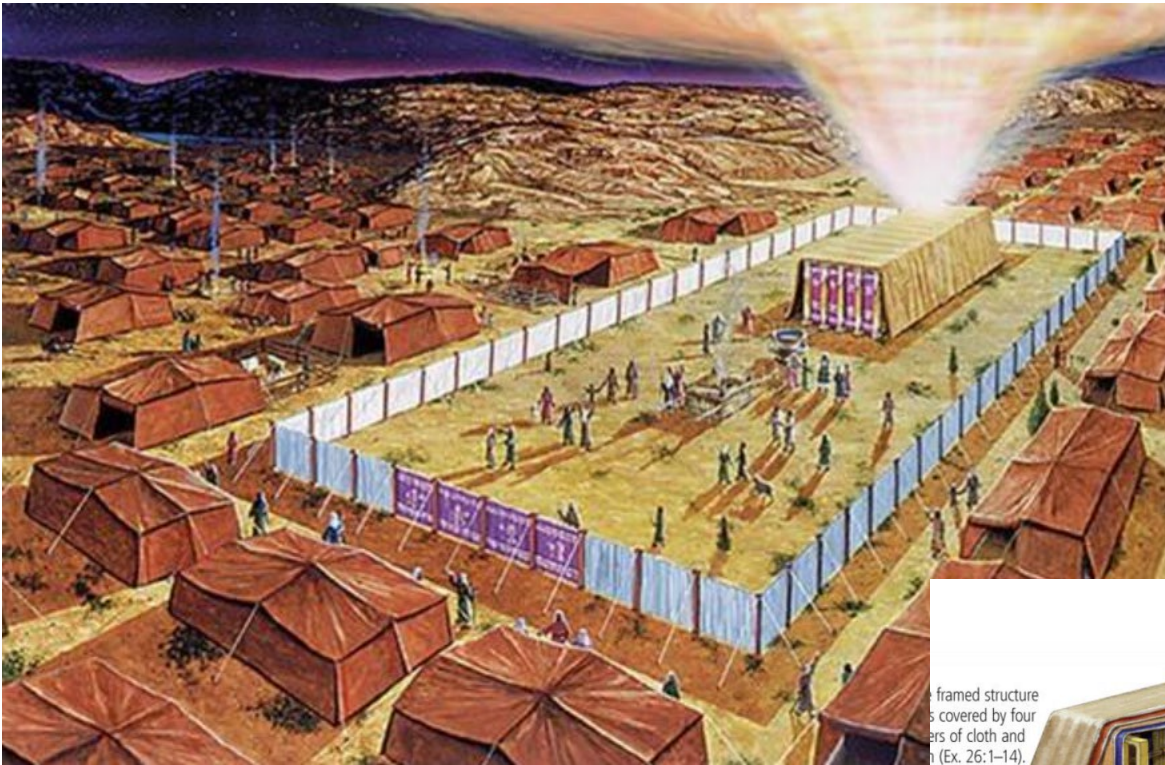
Chap. 8- 13. Moses asked Pharaoh for release of the Israelites. Released 10 Plagues, culminating in the loss of every first born male in Egypt. However, the Israelites obeyed God and followed the ordinance of the Passover and God spared them (2)

Chap. 14 – 18. Describe the “Exit”, from Egypt. Moses and the Israelites escape via the parting of the Red Sea, as the Israelites gradually experienced God’s power and faithfulness (2)

Chap. 19 - 24. Moses presents the 10 Commandments to all the people at Mt. Sinai, and made a Covenant between God and the Israelites (3)

Chap. 25- 40. Moses gives the Israelites the tabernacle, priest and worship instructions (~1 yr after leaving Egypt).

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Chapter 40

- **The Lord Commands Moses to Set Up the Tabernacle (1-2)**
 - **The Ark of the Testimony Is Placed Inside (3)**
 - **The Holy Furnishings Are Arranged (4-5)**
 - **The Altar and Courtyard Are Prepared (6-8)**
 - **The Tabernacle Is Anointed and Consecrated (9-11)**
 - **Aaron and His Sons Are Washed and Clothed (12-15)**
 - **Moses Obeys Everything God Commanded (16)**
 - **The Work Is Completed (17-33)**
- **The Glory of the Lord Fills the Tabernacle (34-35)**
- **God Guides Israel Through the Cloud (36-37)**
- **The Lord's Presence Remains with His People (38)**

What does the Tabernacle represent

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(Copy ≠ Exact Duplicate = Representation)

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What else does the Bible reveal?

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Isaiah 6: 1-2 In the year that King Uzziah died, **I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.** ² Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.

Revelation 4: 2-5

³there before me was **a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.** ...

⁴ Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were **twenty-four elders.**

⁵ In front of the throne, **seven lamps** were blazing. **These are the seven spirits^[a] of God.** ⁶ Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a **sea of glass**, clear as crystal.”

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Revelation 8:2 Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and **stood at the altar**. He was given much **incense to offer**, with the prayers of all God's people, **on the golden altar in front of the throne**.

Revelation 9:13 The sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming from **the four horns of the golden altar that is before God**.

Revelation 11:13 Then **God's temple in heaven was opened**, and **within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant**.

Revelation 15:5-8 After this I looked, and I saw in heaven **the temple—that is, the tabernacle of the covenant law**—and it was opened. ⁶ Out of the temple came the seven angels with the seven plagues. They were dressed in clean, shining linen and wore golden sashes around their chests. ⁷ Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls filled with the wrath of God, who lives for ever and ever. ⁸ And **the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from his power**,...

Heaven and Tabernacle

Earthly Temple / Tabernacle (Exodus 25 - 30; 37; 36;)	Heavenly Temple (Rev 4; 5; 6:9,16; 7:15; 8:1-5; 9:13; 11:19; 14:1-5,18; 15:5-8; 16:7)
Holy of Holies (<i>Exodus 26:31-37</i>)	The throne of God (<i>Rev 4:2</i>)
Seven Branched Candle Stick (<i>Exodus 25:31-39; Ex 37:17-24</i>)	Seven lamps of fire before the thrones (<i>Rev 4:5</i>)
Bronze Laver or Basin for Washing (<i>Exodus 30:17-21</i>)	Sea of Glass (<i>Rev 4:6, 15:2</i>)
The Mercy Seat covered by the Cherubim wings (<i>Exodus 25:17-22</i>)	God's Throne above the Cherubim (<i>Ezekiel 1:22,23,26; 10:1</i>) Four living creatures around the throne (<i>Rev 4:6</i>)
Priest (<i>Exodus 28; 29; Lev 8</i>)	Elders (<i>Rev 4:4</i>)
Bronze Altar (<i>Exodus 27:1-8; 38:1-7</i>)	Altar (<i>Rev 6:9-11</i>)
Incense Altar (<i>Exodus 30:1-5; 37:25-28</i>)	Incense Altar (<i>Rev 5:9; 8:3-5</i>)
Ark of the Covenant (<i>Exodus 25:10-20; 37:1-9</i>)	Ark of His Covenant (<i>Rev 11:19</i>)

Relevance of the Tabernacle

1 Cor 6 19-20

¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

³⁴ Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. ³⁵ Moses could not enter the tent of meeting because the cloud had settled on it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

³⁶ In all the travels of the Israelites, whenever the cloud lifted from above the tabernacle, they would set out; ³⁷ but if the cloud did not lift, they did not set out—until the day it lifted. ³⁸ So the cloud of the LORD was over the tabernacle by day, and fire was in the cloud by night, in the sight of all the Israelites during all their travels.



A powerful image God's presence: offering comfort and guidance during the day, and protection and warmth at night. as the Israelites journeyed through the desert towards the promised land

Given how God almost destroyed the Israelites, what happened in Exodus 40 that led God to “live with and lead them each day”?

Exo 33: 1 ... But I will not go with you, because you are a stiff-necked people and I might destroy you on the way.”

Moses prayed for the Israelites and God changed his mind:

Exo 33: 15-17 ¹⁵ Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. ¹⁶ How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?”

¹⁷ And the LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name.”

What was described in Exo 38-40

¹Then the LORD said to Moses: ²“Set up the tabernacle, the tent of meeting, on the first day of the first month.

- Donations by “willing” Israelites (actually too much!) Exo. 35
- Original articles were made (furniture, curtains, priestly garments) v36-39
 - Skilled hands worked together
 - Sense of urgency (8 os)
- Each article in the Tabernacle was placed....
 - “as the LORD commanded him”, 7X (Exo 40: 16, 19, 23, 25, 27, 29, 32)
 - Illustrates “obedience to the Lord”

As a group, the entire population worked in willing obedience under Moses

³³**Then** Moses set up the courtyard around the tabernacle and altar and put up the curtain at the entrance to the courtyard. And so Moses finished the work.

³⁴**Then** the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

What is the key learning of Exodus 40

Exodus 40 teaches the importance of obedience, holiness, worship, and trusting God's presence for guidance

How is this a template for you, so that you can also enjoy God's presence and leading ?

Exo. 35-39

Tabernacle



Table of Bread



Ark



Altar of Sacrifice



Lampstand



Altar of Incense



Wash Basin

