

God Establishes a Nation

Lesson #4

Introduction:

In this section we will see God turn the house of Israel (Jacob's 12 sons and families) into his own personal nation as he miraculously delivers them out of Egyptian bondage and at Mount Sinai gives them a law to obey in the form of 10 commandments. The book of Leviticus also gives some 613 supporting statutes, ordinances and commands falling under the ten commandments.

Israel is then given provisions and lead toward the promise land, however sin will get in there way and turn a short trip into a forty year hiking trip in which all but a few die.

Joshua is eventually given the leadership reigns at the Jordan river to lead Israel into the promise land.

Lesson:

I. House of Israel in Egypt

- Brought to a humble state through hardship
 - This is when God can really use people
- Leader born to them (Moses)
 - God prepared Moses and commissioned him to lead Israel. Ex (chs. 2-4)
 - Moses means to draw out
 - Flees to Midian Ex ch 2
 - Marries Zipporah
 - Burning bush Ex ch 3
 - Excuses Ex ch 3-4
- Goes to Egypt and gives God's command to Pharaoh
 - 10 plagues Ex chs 7-12
 1. River to blood
 2. Frogs
 3. Gnats
 4. Flies
 5. Death of livestock
 6. Boils
 7. Hail
 8. Locusts
 9. Darkness
 10. Death of Firstborn
- God hardens Pharaoh's heart
- Egypt gives up after 10th plague and releases Israel

II. First act as the nation of God was the Passover.

- Ex. 12:1-36
 - Lamb
 - blood brushed above the door frames of houses
 - symbolizes NT Lord's supper & Salvation.
 - 1 Cor. 5:7

III. Lead away to the mountain of God (Sinai)50 day trip

- Pillar of cloud by day and fire by night
- Red Sea crossing Ex 14.....(symbolizes baptism & salvation) 1 Cor 10:2
 - grumbling and complaining
 - Moses' sin Numbers 20:1-13
 - Manna, Quail, and water provided Ex ch 16
- Sinai
 - God shows up Ex 19:16-25
 - 10 commandments given Ex 20: 1-21
 - Laws and ordinances given
 - Sacrifices instituted
 - Burnt offering Lev. 1; 6:8-13
 - Grain offering Lev. 2: 6:14-23
 - Fellowship offering (peace offering) Lev 3; 7:11-21
 - Sin offering Lev. 5:14-6:8; 7:1-10
 - Guilt offering (trespass offering) Lev. 5:14-6:8; 7:1-10
 - Don't add to or take away...Deut 4:2
 - Tabernacle & Priesthood Ex. Chs 25:1-31; 11 ; 35:4-40:38; & Lev. 8-10

IV. Lead to the promise land (Canaan)

- Kadesh Barnea Numbers ch 14
 - 12 spies sent out
 - Joshua and Caleb faithful
 - Only two to enter the promise land
 - Korahs rebellion Numbers ch 16
 - God stopped them from entering the promise land
 - 38 years to wander in the desert and die
 - Israel keeps on sinning
 - Snake bites Numbers 21:9
 - Look at bronze snake on a pole and live as a cure
 - We look at Jesus on a pole and live
 - Most die in the Wilderness
 - Not able to reach the promise land in land of living
 - Latter shows up there on the mount of transfiguration in The after life.

V. Moses dies (Numbers 27:12-14) and Joshua assigned to lead the people across the river Jordan into the promise land.

VI. God writes his own song for Israel to remember Deut. 31:30-32:6