

Treasures of the Sanctuary—Lesson 3—“Out of Egypt through the Sanctuary”

OPENING DISCUSSION QUESTIONS/TALK:

1. What's the longest trip you've ever taken? What were some of the difficulties or frustrations you faced during the trip?
2. If you had to choose between being a slave while getting regular paychecks **or** being free while trusting God to provide for your needs...what would you choose? Why?

READING AND STUDY QUESTIONS:

1. Does God notice the suffering of His people? Does He want to deliver them from sin and suffering? (Exodus 3:7-10)
 - a. *Note:* Egypt is a symbol of the world, while Pharaoh is a symbol for the Devil (a Cruel and evil taskmaster)
2. God sent 10 plagues upon the Land of Egypt, until finally Pharaoh let God's people go free. Did God make a difference between His people and the people of the world (Egypt)? (Exodus 11:7)
3. What service did God tell his people to perform at this time? What would distinguish them from the Egyptians? (Exodus 12:3-7, 22, 29)
 - a. Does God save us by the blood of his dear Son? (Romans 5:8,9)
 - b. The Bible says, “Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us” (1 Corinthians 5:7).
4. Where did God lead his people to next? (Exodus 13:18)
5. Did God open a way for them to escape the Egyptians through the Red Sea? (Exodus 14:21,22)
 - a. Here again, God put a barrier between his people and the world (Egypt) forever (Exod. 14:27-30). This was a sign that they should never go back to that sinful world again. Instead, they were always to follow and trust in God until they reached the promised land.
 - b. What did this Red Sea experience symbolize? (1 Corinthians 10:1-4)
 - i. God blessed his people and gave them daily bread and water after this experience.

6. What great and holy place did they come to next? (Exodus 19:1,2)
7. Did Moses act as a Mediator between God and the people? (Exodus 19:9-11)
8. Were the people allowed to come up the mountain into this Holy Place? (Exod. 19:12) *(They were still separated from God by sin. Only their Mediator could go up to be with God—who we learned represents Jesus—1 Timothy 2:5)*
9. Was God's Holy Presence on the top of this mountain (like in the Most Holy Place)? (Ex. 19:18)
 - a. The regular Priests could be "near" the Lord, but only the High priest could come up the mountain into the Most Holy Place (Ex. 19:22, 24).
 - b. What did God give to the people from this Most Holy Place? (Exodus 20:1-3; Ex. 24:12)
10. Can Jesus alone set us free from the bondage and slavery of sin? (John 8:32-36; Matt. 1:21)
11. Does Jesus invite us to come and find our rest in Him? (Matthew 11:28, 29)

HEART QUESTION(S):

1. Would you like Jesus Christ to rescue you from the hopelessness of the world? _____

NOTES:

Note: Psalm 78:54 calls Mt. Sinai a Sanctuary of God.