

Bible Study 20 – God’s presence among His people – Exodus 40:1-38

Imagine you're moving into a new home. You've spent months—maybe even years—planning it. You've picked out every detail: the paint on the walls, the flooring, the lighting, where the furniture will go. You've poured your heart, your savings, your sweat into making it just right. Finally, the last box is unpacked, the last picture is hung, the last curtain is straightened. You step back, look around, and whisper to yourself, 'It's finished. It's ready.' And then, you wait for the most important person to arrive—the one the whole house was built for. Will they come? Will they like it? Will they actually walk through the door and make it their home?

The context	God sent Moses and used miracles to bring the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt. But they complained, so God provided water, manna and quail. At Mount Sinai God gave Moses the ten commandments and other laws which they were to obey. The Israelites were impatient and broke the second commandment soon after it was given and they were disciplined for their idolatry. But they repented and God forgave their sin and renewed His covenant with them.
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PART 1 Read & write each section in your own words – Exodus 40:1-38

Tabernacle set up commanded (v.1-8)	
Anointing commanded (v.9-15)	
Tabernacle set up (v.16-33)	
Divine arrival (v.34-38)	

PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage

- 1. What does it teach about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit?***
- 2. What does it teach about people?***

3. Summarize a key verse in your own words.

4. In your opinion, what is the main point being taught in this passage?

5. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?

6. What can we learn from Moses in verses 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, and 32?

7. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?

After the components of the tabernacle were constructed, Moses was instructed to set it up. When this was done, God came to dwell there and His presence was visible as a cloud. Moses obeyed God and like Jesus he was a mediator between God and the people. The people also obeyed God in constructing and erecting the tabernacle.

