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EXODUS

Chapters 31-32

Opening Questions:

- a. If God were to gift you with one extraordinary skill or talent to use for His purposes, what would you want it to be, and why?
- b. How long would you wait for something/someone before you do something different?
- c. If you had to design a funny or unusual statue to represent God today, what would it look like?
- d. If you were a pastor and your congregation asked for something silly (like a popcorn machine in the sanctuary), what's one thing you might actually say yes to?"

Discussion Questions:

Chapter 31: Giftings, Sabbath

1. What is the ancestry of Bezaleel?
2. How would you summarize his giftings? What made him qualified?
3. Could Bezaleel have done the work without God?
4. Why does God often appoint people to work together rather than alone? (*Ecc. 4:9–10; Mark 6:7; 1 Corinthians 3:6–9*)
5. Is there a difference between Bezaleel and Oholiab's roles? (*Genesis 49:8, 16*)
6. How does the Holy Spirit empower artisans and workers?
7. Why do you think God reminded the Israelites to keep his Sabbath at this time?

8. Why does God attach such severe consequences to dishonoring the Sabbath? Does that help you alter your thinking on how New Testament believers should view the Sabbath? (*Numbers 15:32–36; Isaiah 58:13–14; James 2:10*).

9. Verse 18 states that the Lord stopped speaking to Moses and gave him the tablets. Why do you think he ended here? (*see Exodus 20*)

Chapter 32:1-6

10. From the Israelite POV, what did Mt. Sinai look like while Moses was there? (*Ex. 19:16-18, 24:15-17*)
11. How long was Moses gone from the camp? Would you consider this time a "delay?"
12. Provide some reasons why the Israelites requested that Aaron "make us gods."
13. How did Aaron respond? Discuss what motivated him and if any other options were available to respond to the people.
14. Who decided on making a calf? (verse 4). Was it arbitrary?
15. Recall the backgrounds of Moses and Aaron. Is there any irony in their respective positions at this point?
16. Did the Israelites completely abandon worship of the true God with this act? What about Aaron? Explain your answer. (*Exodus 20:1-17*)
17. What Commandments are violated in verses 1-6? Is one more egregious?
18. How did the idol worship progress into other sins?