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EXODUS

Chapter 34-35

Opening Questions:

- a. What are some challenges with hanging socially with friends or coworkers who are non-believers?.
- b. If you were getting a new home constructed, what advice would you give the workers to do first?
- c. If you could give the church something other than money, what would it be and why?

Discussion Questions:

1. Moses makes intercession for the Israelites again (verse 9). On what basis does he make his plea to God and what does that tell you about Moses' relationship with the people?
2. What warnings were given in verses 12-14? Were they necessary? (*2 Corinthians 6:14*)
3. Are there practical reasons why God told the Israelites to destroy the pagan worship related items? (verse 13)
4. What might the surrounding nations say to pressure the Israelites to live together, marry, worship, and adopt to their customs?
5. Compare the commandments given in verses 15-26 with Exodus 20:1-17.
6. How did the Israelites feel when Moses finally came back to the camp?
7. Why does Moses' face become radiant after speaking with the Lord (v.29?) (*Isaiah 6:5; Luke 5:8-10; Hebrews 12:18-24*)
8. Why were the Israelites afraid to come near Moses (v.30)?

9. Why does the passage end emphasizing that Moses' face remained radiant (v.35)?

Chapter 35

10. Why does Exodus 35 begin with the command about the Sabbath (vv.1-3) before describing the Tabernacle work? (*Exodus 20:8-11; Isaiah 58:13-14; Hebrews 4:9-11*)
11. What does the Sabbath restriction on kindling fire (v.3) tell us about God's priorities?
12. What was the potential danger about with working on the Sabbath? (*Numbers 15:32-36; Mark 2:27-28; Luke 10:38-42*).
13. Why do you think God required *voluntary* contributions rather than mandatory offerings for the Tabernacle (v.5). (*2 Corinthians 9:7; Exodus 25:1-2; Mark 12:41-44*)
14. How do the Israelites' generous responses (vv.20-29) contrast with their earlier idolatry in Exodus 32? What do you think motivated them?
15. Why do the whole Israelite community withdraw from Moses'?
16. What can we learn from Bezalel and Oholiab being "filled with the Spirit of God" for craftsmanship? What Spirit is the text referring to? (*Exodus 31:1-6; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7; Colossians 3:23-24*)