

“God In a Tent”

Numbers 1:47–2:34

The Lord’s Day Morning

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God’s promise to Abraham centuries earlier was unilateral and unconditional. God promised Abraham that he would make him “a great nation,” and that through that great nation, “all the families of the earth shall be blessed” (Genesis 12:2–3). A great nation requires people, government, and land. God bought and brought his people out of slavery and led them to Mount Sinai where he gives Moses the law, so now they have the government (Exodus 20–24) to build a great nation. The census in Numbers 1 proves that they now have the people to build a great nation. All they need is the land that God promised them. For this land, they must travel through the wilderness and fight their enemies. But God assures them he will be right there with them, dwelling in their midst, living in a tent.

Here are 6 things about that tent you need to know.

1. It was made of _____ and _____.
2. It was _____ from place to place.
3. It was centrally positioned for _____.
4. It taught sinful people that a _____ God is _____ from them.
5. It taught sinful people that a _____ God is _____ to them.
6. It was where _____ and _____ met.