

Exodus - Tabernacle

...aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”
What does Jesus accomplish as THE hero of the faith?

- ❖ Matthew 1:23 refers to the passage in Isaiah 7:14 prophesying the coming of Jesus, who will be “Immanuel, God with us.” What do you think of when you think of God being “with you”? What makes this so significant?
- ❖ If you had to describe the significance of this to someone who didn’t know Jesus, what would you say?
- ❖ How can you represent God to the world around you this week? What are some specific ways you can share hope?

Looking Back: Mark 14:27-15:15

Looking Forward: Mark 15:16-41



Write down some questions you have about this passage:

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Looking Deeper

- God gives the Israelites quite a few instructions and specifics about the Tabernacle. Look up these passages to learn more about the Tabernacle:
 - Exodus 25, 26, 27, 35
- After all of the many preparations, God speaks to Moses telling him to begin to erect the Tabernacle beginning in Exodus 40.
- The Tabernacle is mentioned 32 times in the book of Numbers.

Discussion Questions

- ❖ Read Isaiah 11. What are some of the similarities you see between this imagery and the garden in Genesis?
- ❖ When you see that multiple chapters in the book of Exodus are talking about the specifics of how the Tabernacle must be constructed and what goes in it, what does it tell you about its significance? What do these passages show you about God's holiness?
- ❖ How do you feel when you read at the end of Exodus that Moses is not able to enter the tent? Why is it important for the reader to know this? Why do you think you feel the way you do about it?

- ❖ In many ways, Moses was the deliverer of the Israelites, but we know from other places in Exodus that he was not THE rescuer that Israel had been waiting for since the promise in Genesis 3. What are some of the ways he failed? What are some of the ways he foreshadowed the Messiah?
- ❖ Hebrews 11 lists many heroes of the faith. What does Hebrews say about each one as they act?
- ❖ When they act "by faith", what/who is their faith in? Who does the actual work in each hero's situation?
- ❖ Read these verses at the end of Heb. 11: "And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect." So, even though the heroes of the faith are great, they are not good enough to fix sin or get humanity back into right relationship with God...

Read the next verses in Heb. 12: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay