Exodus 35:1-35 The Sabbath and The Tabernacle

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two Tablets of the Testimony in his hands, after being in the presence and glory of YeHoVaH for forty days and nights without food or drink, he was not aware that his face was radiant. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses and his radiant face, they were afraid to come near him.

They withdrew from Moses as the people had withdrawn from Mount Sinai when YeHoVaH began to speak to them. Only after Moses called to them did Aaron and all the leaders of the community come back to him and listen as he spoke to them. When the people saw the leaders talking to Moses, they came near him, and Moses gave them all the Commands that YeHoVaH had given him on Mount Sinai.

Moses wore a veil over his face to alleviate the people's fear of him, but whenever he entered the Tabernacle and YeHoVaH's presence to speak with Him, Moses removed the veil until he came out.

YeHoVaH had instructed Moses to write down all that He had spoken to Moses so that the communications Moses gave the people came directly from the mouth of YeHoVaH. What Moses wrote is, and was, what YeHoVaH spoke.

Moses communicated to Israel, and those who had joined themselves to Israel, the Instructions YeHoVaH had commanded him to write about the Sabbath and the Tabernacle. In the previous Chapter, Moses spoke to Aaron, the rulers of the people, and the people. In this Chapter, we are informed of what Moses spoke to them about.

^{Ex 35:1} And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto them, These *are* the words which the LORD hath commanded, that *ye* should do them.

Moses made it clear that the Instructions he was about to give them were the words YeHoVaH had commanded them to do.

REMEMBER: YeHoVaH Spoke. Moses Wrote.

Moses begun with the Sabbath Day Command. Moses instructed them that they had six days each week to do all their work and those who worked on the Sabbath Day would be put to death.

^{Ex 35:2} Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

The people are instructed not to set or kindle a fire on the Sabbath Day throughout their habitations.

Ex 35:3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

Kindle – **01197** בָּעַר ba`ar {baw-ar'}

Meaning: 1) to burn, consume, kindle, be kindled 1a) (Qal) 1a1) <u>to begin to burn</u>, be kindled, <u>start burning</u> 1a2) to burn, be burning 1a3) to burn, consume 1a4) Jehovah's wrath, human wrath (fig.) 1b) (Piel) 1b1) to kindle, burn

Usage: AV - burn 41, ... away 21, kindle 13, brutish 7, eaten 2, <u>set 2</u>, burn up 2, eat up 2, feed 1, heated 1, took 1, wasted 1; 94

In order for the Priests to do their work and perform their duties, they had to have fire to sacrifice the burnt offerings on the Sabbath Day.

^{Nu 28:9} And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof: ^{Nu 28:10} This is the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

Habitation – **04186** מֹשָׁב (mo-shawb') or מֹשָׁב moshab (mo-shawb') **Meaning:** 1) seat, assembly, dwelling-place, dwelling, dwellers 1a) seat, sitting, those sitting, sitting company or assembly 1b) dwelling place, dwelling 1c) situation, location **Usage:** AV - habitation 12, dwellings 8, seat 7, dwelling 4, dwellingplace 3, dwell 3, places 2, sitting 2, assembly 1, situation 1, sojourning 1; 44

^{Ex 35:4} And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

The Command Moses gives them in this verse is what YeHoVaH commanded Moses in the first trip up the mountain where he spent his first forty-day period.

Notice in this passage the people are commanded to give a free will offering or an offering from a willing heart.

Ex 25:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Ex 25:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.

Although the offering is of a willing heart, they are commanded to give. They could not give whatever they desired to give, for they were instructed on the specific things they were to give when they gave voluntarily. There were no substitutes or input from the people. Moses was only allowed to receive specifically those offering items he was instructed to take from the people.

^{Ex 35:5} Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever *is* of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD; gold, and silver, and brass,

Ex 35:6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair,

Ex 35:7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,

Ex 35:8 And oil for the light, and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense,

Ex 35:9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

Ex 35:10 And every <u>wisehearted</u> among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded;

^{Ex 35:11} The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,

^{Ex 35:12} The ark, and the staves thereof, *with* the mercy seat, and the veil of the covering, ^{Ex 35:13} The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the showbread,

Ex 35:14 The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

^{Ex 35:15} And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle, ^{Ex 35:16} The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

Ex 35:17 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door of the court,

Ex 35:18 The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

^{Ex 35:19} The cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place,* the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.

All of the items needed were specifically instructed in Chapter 25 - 30, including the consecration of the Priests.

The people are invited to take part in the building of the Tabernacle by providing all of the offerings of materials including the silver, gold, brass, and atonement money for the continual service of the Tabernacle after it was built.

Please notice the language in this passage...

In **verse 1**, it is written: Moses gathered all the congregation of the Children of Israel together. In **verse 4**, it is written: Moses spake unto all the congregation of the Children of Israel.

^{Ex 35:20} And <u>all the congregation of the children of Israel</u> departed from the presence of Moses. ^{Ex 35:21} And they came, <u>every one whose heart stirred him up</u>, and <u>every one whom his spirit</u> <u>made willing</u>, *and* they brought the LORD'S offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.

^{Ex 35:22} And <u>they came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted</u>, *and* brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and <u>every man that offered</u> an offering of gold unto the LORD.

Ex 35:23 And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair,* and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought *them.*

^{Ex 35:24} Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the LORD'S offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought *it.* ^{Ex 35:25} And <u>all the women that were **wisehearted** did spin with their hands</u>, and brought that which they had spun, *both* of blue, and of purple, *and* of scarlet, and of fine linen. ^{Ex 35:26} And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' *hair.*

Ex 35:27 And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate;

^{Ex 35:28} And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. ^{Ex 35:29} The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, <u>every man and woman</u>, <u>whose heart made them willing</u> to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

I pointed this language usage out to show the distinction between all of Israel and those among Israel that had willing hearts. This suggests there may have been some of the Children of Israel who did not give an offering or who did not have a willing heart.

Moses was instructed in Chapter 31, during his first forty-day and night period, who would be given oversight of the work.

Ex 31:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

^{Ex 31:2} See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

YeHoVaH said:

^{Ex 31:3} And <u>I have filled him with the spirit of God</u>, in <u>wisdom</u>, and in <u>understanding</u>, and in <u>knowledge</u>, and in <u>all manner of workmanship</u>,

Ex 31:4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

Ex 31:5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

^{Ex 31:6} And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the <u>hearts of all that are wisehearted I have put wisdom</u>, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;

Most people believe that Spiritual Gifts are only in the New Testament although they are obvious in the Old Testament.

Same God! Same Spirit! YeHoVaH!

^{Ex 35:30} And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;

^{Ex 35:31} And he <u>hath filled him with the spirit of God</u>, in <u>wisdom</u>, in <u>understanding</u>, and in <u>knowledge</u>, and in <u>all manner of workmanship</u>;

Ex 35:32 And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

Devise – **02803** חָשַׁב chashab {khaw-shab'}

Meaning: 1) to think, plan, esteem, calculate, invent, make a judgment, imagine, count 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to think, account 1a2) to plan, devise, mean 1a3) to charge, impute, reckon 1a4) to esteem, value, regard 1a5) to invent 1b) (Niphal) 1b1) to be accounted, be thought, be esteemed 1b2) to be computed, be reckoned 1b3) to be imputed 1c) (Piel)

1c1) to think upon, consider, be mindful of 1c2) to think to do, devise, plan 1c3) to count, reckon 1d) (Hithpael) to be considered

Usage: AV - count 23, devise 22, think 18, imagine 9, cunning 8, reckon 7, purpose 6, esteem 6, account 5, impute 4, forecast 2, regard 2, workman 2, conceived 1, misc 9; 124

Curious Work – **04284** מַחֲשָׁבָה machashabah {makh-ash-aw-baw'} or מַחֲשָׁבָת machashebeth {makh-ash-eh'-beth}

Meaning: 1) thought, device 1a) thought 1b) device, plan, purpose 1c) invention **Usage:** AV - thought 28, device 12, purpose 6, work 3, imaginations 3, cunning 1, devised 1, invented 1, means 1; 56

Ex 35:33 And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of cunning work.

^{Ex 35:34} And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, *both* he, and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

Teach – **03384** יָרָא yarah {yaw-raw'} or (2 Chr. 26:15) יָרָא yara' {yaw-raw'} **Meaning:** 1) to throw, shoot, cast, pour 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to throw, cast 1a2) to cast, lay, set 1a3) to shoot arrows 1a4) to throw water, rain 1b) (Niphal) to be shot 1c) (Hiphil) 1c1) to throw, cast 1c2) to shoot 1c3) to point out, show 1c4) to direct, teach, instruct 1c5) to throw water, rain **Usage:** AV - teach 42, shoot 18, archers 5, cast 5, teacher 4, rain 2, laid 1, direct 1, inform 1, instructed 1, shewed 1, shooters 1, through 1, watered 1; 84

This verse reveals that YeHoVaH put in the hearts of both Bezalial and Aholiab to teach others.

^{Ex 35:35} Them hath he filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of work, of the engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, *even* of them that do any work, and of those that **devise cunning work**.