

# Sermon Handout

## The Presence & Glory of God

### Exodus 40:34-38

- I. Overall narrative structure** Exodus 19:3 – Numb 10:10
- A Giving of the Ten Words Ex 19:3-20:21
    - B Civil standards – application of the Ten Words Ex 20:22-24:11
    - C Instructions concerning sacrifice Ex 24:12-34:28
    - D Completion of the Tabernacle Ex 34:29-40:38
    - C<sup>1</sup> Instructions concerning sacrifice Lev 1-10
    - B<sup>1</sup> Purity standards – application of the Ten Words Lev 11-18
    - A<sup>1</sup> Reiteration of the Ten Words Lev 19:1-Numb 10:10
- II. The Completion of the Tabernacle** Ex 34:29-40:38
- a. The work commenced and completed 34:29-39:43
    - i. According to the pattern shown to Moses 25:9, 40; 26:30; 27:8
    - ii. The work satisfactorily completed 39:43a
    - iii. Moses blesses the workmen 39:43b
  - b. Setup and consecration of the Tabernacle Ex 40:1-33a
    - Construction completed, Moses sets it up as God instructed
  - c. The Glory of God fills the Tabernacle Ex 40:33b-38
    - The cloud and the glory are not identical; one contains the other  
Ex 14:19-20, 24; 16:10; 19:9, 16; 24:15-18; 33:9-10; 34:5  
Ex 33:12-18; 34:5-10 (*cf.* 32:30-34; 14:19)
    - The cloud enveloped the glory *see* 33:18-20; 34:29-30
- III. The fulfillment in Jesus Christ**
- a. John 1:14-18 Christ “tabernacled” – his **glory** seen
    - He “outranks” John the Baptist v. 15
    - We receive his “fulness” v. 16
    - Contrast with Moses vv. 17-18
  - b. Matt 17:1-8
    - Bright light and a cloud (vv. 2, 5) & the voice of God (v. 5)
    - Moses & Elijah (connected with Sinai) *see* I Kg 19:8
    - Reference to “tabernacles” v. 4
  - c. The continuing presence of God with his covenant people
    - Ex 40:38 answers to Ex 29:45
    - The same promise of Christ in the gospel Phil 1:6