Week 6: Building the Tabernacle

Building the Tabernacle: Exodus 35-40

Objective:

- Sabbath Regulations
- Building the Tabernacle
- Making the Altar of Burnt Offering
- Making the Garments of the Priesthood
- The Tabernacle Erected and Arranged
- The Cloud and the Glory

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)

Reading:

- Exodus 35:1-3
- Exodus 36:1-7
- Exodus 37:1-9
- Exodus 38:NO READING
- Exodus 39:NO READING
- Exodus 40:1-38

Key verse(s):

- "The Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend" Exodus 33:11

Comments:

- God reinforcing the Sabbath again.
- God chose Bezalel and Aholiab to build the Tabernacle. God chose talented people in this area to do his work. It is important to use our gifts and talents for the service and the glory of God's name.
- The Ark of the Covenant with pure gold inside and outside, the mercy seat, the two golden cherubim, and the mercy seat were built. It's good to connect this chapter with Sunday Theotokos.

- The Tabernacle was built and finalized in a beautiful manner. We see how God wants his house to be built. He wants the people to offer their best, not like Cain.
- God's presence in the tabernacle shows His acceptance and dwelling in it until Solomon builds the Temple later on.

Review/recap questions:
**Servant may add more questions*

1. God reminded the Israelites on two occasions to “remember the Sabbath.” Name them
2. Explain what is meant by “the House of Israel.”
3. Why could Moses not enter the Tent of Meeting?
4. What is the significance of Moses “doing as the Lord commanded?”
5. What purpose for the tabernacle do the cloud and the fire confirm?

Homework:
**Servant may add more questions*

1. What was the HOLY DAY?
   A) first day B) Wednesday C) Friday D) Sabbath
2. What was to occur on the “Sabbath?”
   A) rest B) community meetings C) building of the Tabernacle D) cooking for family
3. Who constructed the Sanctuary?
   A) Bezalel B) Oholiab C) every skilled craftsman D) all of these
4. When was THE TABERNACLE to be set up?
   A) Feast of Unleavened Bread B) third day of Tut C) Sabbath D) first day of month

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