

Sun Morning

# LED TO PREPARE

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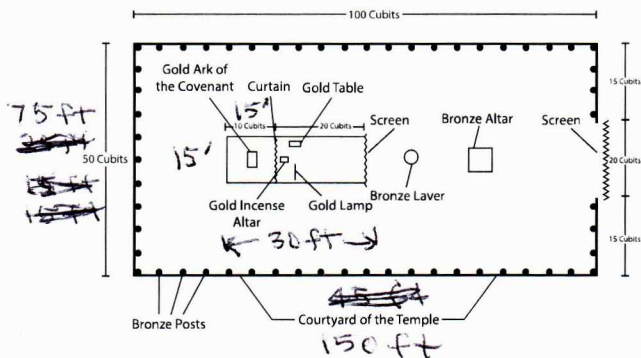
## Text: Exodus 35:1-12

"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. 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. 3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day. 4 And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying, 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, 6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, 7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood, 8 And oil for the light, and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense, 9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate. 10 And every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded: 11 The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets, 12 The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering," (Exodus 35:1-12)

## INTRODUCTION

- God's house (construction & maintenance)  
all based on offering gifts

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| 1875 B.C. | Israel migrates to Egypt (time of Joseph)             |
| 1730 B.C. | Egyptians put Israelites into bondage - Hyksos invade |
| 1445 B.C. | God delivers Israel from Egypt - Moses leader         |



"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: 20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: 21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19-21)

## 1. AN URGENT Priority (v. 1-5)

- A. Priority of the sanctuary (v. 4) - holy place of worship  
ANNOUNCED BY MOSES

A COMMAND OF GOD - words that God commanded

- B. Priority of stewardship (v. 5) - caretakers for God

Quote: "We either give by reason or by revelation."

GIVE WILLINGLY - materials for construction

"Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy." (1 Chronicles 29:9)

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)

GIVE TO THE LORD

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings." (Malachi 3:8)

- C. The Priority of the supplies (v. 6-9)

## 2. A RESPONSIVE People (v. 20-22)

- A. They Were stirred (v. 21) - motivated

"Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry." (Acts 17:16)

Quote: "The happiest people on earth are the people who have discovered the joy of giving."

Quote: "Often, a cold heart and a stingy hand go together."

- B. They Were willing (v. 22)

Quote: "The more passionate our faith the more consistent our giving."

"For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity. 17 Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account. 18 But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God." (Philippians 4:16-18)

Quote: "The ultimate secret (of generosity) is a changed heart."—Ken Blanchard

"Now therefore perform the doing of it; that as there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which ye have. 12 For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." (2 Corinthians 8:11-12)

**Quote:** "The richest person is not the one who has the most, but the one who needs the least."

*"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)*

### 3. A COLLABORATIVE Progress (v. 36:1-3)

#### A. With God's provision (v. 1)

##### GOD PROVIDED FOR THE OLD TESTAMENT SAINTS

Exod 3:21-22 *"And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance." (Genesis 15:14)*

##### 12:35-36 GOD PROVIDES FOR NEW TESTAMENT SAINTS

*"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: 9 (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever." (2 Corinthians 9:8-9)*

*"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." (1 Corinthians 16:2)*

*"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)*

*"And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The Lord hath not appeared unto thee. 2 And the Lord said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod." (Exodus 4:1-2)*

#### B. With God's leading (v. 2)

#### C. From God's service/servants (v. 3)

##### THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL BROUGHT THE OFFERING

##### THEY BROUGHT FREE OFFERINGS

**Quote:** "With Christ, it is not how much we give, but what we do not give that is the real test."—**Oswald Chambers**

**Quote:** "Ministry takes place when divine resources flow through human channels to the glory of God."

*"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us," (Ephesians 3:20)*

### CONCLUSION

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