

“TO THE PROMISED LAND - Pt. 2” (EXODUS 18-36)

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INTRO: Having exited out of Egypt, we’re now traveling with the people of God *“To The Promised Land”* which represents abundant life in Christ (Jn. 10:10; Rom. 8:37).

I. MOBILIZING LEADERSHIP – A GODLY STRATEGY (Exodus 18).

- A. Jethro, Moses’ father-in-law, witnessed Moses counseling the people and settling their disputes all day long (vv. 13-14).
- B. Moses’ was led by the people’s demands rather than God’s decrees.
- C. Moses was trying to solve all the people’s problems, which created a dependency on him instead of God (vv. 15-16).
- D. This was not good and an unsustainable model (vv. 17-18).
- E. GOD’S STRATEGY (vv. 19-23):
 - 1. Stand before God for the people (v. 19).
 - 2. Teach the people the ways of God (v. 20).
 - 3. Choose and mobilize qualified leaders (v. 21).
 - a. Have the leaders handle most of the matters (v. 22).
 - b. Moses was to handle only the most difficult matters (v. 22).
 - 4. This will be a sustainable model (v. 23).

II. THE PEOPLE OF GOD HAVE AN ENCOUNTER WITH GOD (Ex. 19).

- A. The people were to consecrate themselves in preparation (vv. 10-15).
- B. The people of God have a holy visitation from God (vv. 16-19).
- C. Moses was called by God to the top of Mount Sinai (vv. 20-25).

III. GOD GIVES HIS PEOPLE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS (Ex. 20).

IV. GOD INSTITUTES GUIDELINES FOR LIFE & WORSHIP (Ex. 21:1-23:30).

- A. How to worship God and maintain a right relationship with God.
- B. How to treat other people (with appropriate consequences).
- C. How to have a united, healthy community.
- D. Blessings for obedience.
- E. We’re no longer under these laws unless repeated in the N.T.

V. THE PEOPLE OF GOD AGREE TO OBEY GOD (Ex. 24:1-8).

VI. MOSES GOES UP THE MOUNTAIN TO BE WITH GOD (Ex. 24:9-18).

VII. THE TABERNACLE, ITS FURNISHINGS & THE PRIESTHOOD (Ex. 25-40).

VIII. ARTISANS, STEP UP (Ex. 31:1-11; 35:30-36:1-2)!

- A. God gifted people with the skills needed to make all these things.
- B. Are you one of God’s gifted artisans? If so, step up!

CONCLUSION: God wants to raise up and mobilize leaders (Ex. 18). We need an encounter with God (Ex. 19)! Let’s prepare ourselves! Artisans, Step Up!