EXODUS

EXPLAINED: Episode Summary

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1. ESSENTIALS

What Do You Need to Know First to Study Exodus Well?

DATE: ***1446-1440 BC:*** Written in the Wilderness

GENRE: ***Torah:*** Narrative & Instructions

AUTHOR: ***Moses:*** All 5 Torah Books

SETTING: ***Wilderness:*** After the Exodus

PURPOSE: ***Deliverance:*** Rescue & Revelation

AUDIENCE: ***Israel:*** God's Covenant People

2. STORYLINE

What Do You Need to Know First to Study Exodus Well?

Continuation and Expansion of Genesis

- Begins: Joseph's Death
- Captivity Time in Egypt
- Plagues, Passover, Law
- Ends: Moses, Deliverance
- Wilderness Wandering

KEY VERSES

Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

- Exodus 6:6-7

3. THEMES & IDEAS

What Major Biblical Concepts Do We Find in Exodus?

- God's Self-Revelation
- God's Judgment & Mercy
- Passover & the Lamb's Blood
- God as Rescuer & Deliverer
- Covenant Law Given
- Tabernacle & Presence
- Israel's Complaining & Unbelief

4. STRUCTURE

What are the major sections of Exodus?

CH 1-15: 1. Deliverance from Egypt

God hears Israel's cry, calls Moses, and rescues his people from Pharaoh

CH 15-24: 2. Covenant at Sinai

On the way to Sinai the people grumble, and God gives his law and covenant

CH 25-40: 3. God's Presence with His People

God plans his dwelling, renews the covenant after the calf, and fills the tabernacle



4. STRUCTURE - EXPANDED

4. What are the major sections of Exodus?

5. What do we learn about God from each of these sections?

6. What do these sections offer our Christian life?

CH 1-15: 1. DELIVERANCE FROM EGYPT

God judges Egypt's gods, spares his people by the lamb's blood, and brings them through the sea

CH 1-2: A Nation in Bondage
Israel grows in bondage; Pharaoh orders the boys killed, but baby Moses is saved

CH 3-6: Moses Called & Commissioned
At the burning bush God reveals his name, sees his people's pain, and sends a reluctant Moses to Pharaoh

CH 7-12: Plagues & Passover
Nine plagues overthrow Egypt's gods; the lamb's blood spares Israel in the tenth

CH 13-15: Red Sea & the Song
God parts the sea, Pharaoh's army drowns, and Israel sings of the Lord's triumph

CH 15-24: 2. COVENANT AT SINAI

The journey exposes unbelieving hearts, and God binds himself to Israel through the Mosaic Covenant

CH 15-18: Journey to Sinai
Bitter water, manna, and water from the rock: the people complain, yet God provides at every step

CH 19-24: The Law & the Covenant
God gives the Ten Commandments at Sinai, and the people accept the covenant, sealed with blood

CH 25-40: 3. GOD'S PRESENCE WITH HIS PEOPLE

Worship centers on God's presence: a precise pattern, a broken covenant restored, and glory filling his house

CH 25-31: Tabernacle Instructions
A precise pattern for worship, priests, and the anointing oil, preparing for God to dwell among them

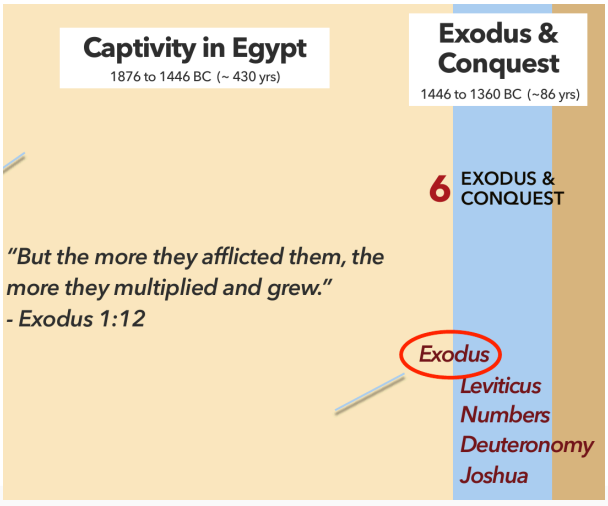
CH 32-34: Golden Calf & Renewal
Idolatry below while Moses is on the mountain; judgment, intercession, a glimpse of glory, and the covenant renewed

CH 35-39: The Tabernacle Built
The people build the tabernacle exactly as God commanded, because his presence matters

CH 40: Glory Fills the Tabernacle
God's presence fills his house and leads Israel by cloud by day and fire by night

5. HOW EXODUS POINTS TO CHRIST

- In the Passover lamb: Jesus, the Lamb of God
- In Moses, the reluctant deliverer from bondage
- In the law that exposes sin and points to the Savior
- In the tabernacle: the Word made flesh (John 1:14)



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