

Exodus – Outline

Ch. 1		
	1:1-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory genealogy.
	1:8-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fear, uncertainty and doubt of Egyptian king. • Israelite enslavement.
	1:15-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Order to kill baby Hebrew males. • Heroism of Hebrew midwives – white lies. • God's blessing on midwives.
Ch. 2		
	2:1-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conception and concealment of Moses. • Ironically, Moses <i>was</i> placed in the Nile, per the Pharaoh's orders concerning baby Hebrew males.
	2:5-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretive cross-cultural adoption of Moses by Pharaoh's daughter. • Moses given a Hebrew woman to be looked after. • Pharaoh's daughter names him <i>Mosheh</i> / Moses.
	2:11-15a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses defends kinsman, becomes murderer, hides body. • Hebrews know of the cover-up. • Pharaoh seeks to kills Moses.
	2:15b-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses flees to Midian, defends daughters of Jethro. • Moses is referred to as an "Egyptian." • Moses marries Zipporah, they have a son: Gershom. • Original Pharaoh dies, God hears cries of Israel.
Ch. 3		
	3:1-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses happens upon burning bush. • YHWH introduces himself to Moses as God of his ancestors.
	3:7-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God promises to deliver Israel from Egypt. • Appoints Moses as his ambassador.
	3:13-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is God's name? "I AM WHO I AM." • God gives Moses the words to speak. • Promises to use divine power to ensure Egyptian compliance. • Permission for female plunder of Egypt, via request.
Ch. 4		
	4:1-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God gives Moses signs by which to prove authority. • Staff ~ Snake ~ Staff.

	4:6-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signs, cont. • Moses' hand turns leprous, then healed. • Nile turning to blood foretold.
	4:10-17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses objects, on grounds of eloquence. • God tells him to take along brother Aaron (a Levite). • Aaron will assist Moses, speaking on his behalf, for God.
	4:18-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses asks permission from father-in-law to return to Egypt: granted. • Moses takes wife and son along too.
	4:21-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God tells Moses to perform all the wonders before Pharaoh. • God will harden Pharaoh's heart. • Israel = firstborn son of God // God will kill Egyptian first-born(s).
	4:24-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curse preemptively falls on Gershom, until Zipporah circumcises him. • Typology of adoption into family of faith, term "bridegroom" used.
	4:27-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God commands Aaron to meet Moses in the wilderness. • Aaron and Moses address the Israelite elders. • Aaron speaks, Moses performs signs. • The people believe and worship God.
Ch. 5		
	5:1-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After consulting elders, Aaron + Moses give ultimatum to Pharaoh. • Pharaoh calls Hebrews lazy, using "worship" as excuse not to work. • Work order increased: Same bricks w/out straw.
	5:10-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taskmasters beat Israelite supervisors for not completing the impossible.
	5:15-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israelites appeal to Pharaoh for mercy: give straw to make bricks. • Pharaoh is unwavering. • Israelites blame Moses and Aaron. • Moses asks God why he mistreats his people.
Ch. 6		
	6:1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God reassures Moses of his mighty hand / omnipotence to deliver.
	6:2-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God reminds Moses of ancestry of faith. • God tells Moses to reassure Israelites of deliverance / Promised Land.
	6:10-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses reasons with God: If Israelites won't listen, why would Pharaoh? • God then charges both Moses and Aaron with the task.
	6:14-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genealogy of Moses and Aaron (seems out of place).
	6:26-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aforementioned Moses and Aaron told Pharaoh to release Israelites.
	6:28-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yet again, Moses reiterates that he is a poor speaker.
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7:1-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God has made Moses as God to Pharaoh, and Aaron as prophet for Moses. • Chain-of-command, so to speak. • God foretells that Pharaoh will not listen, describes signs and wonders. • Ages of Moses and Aaron given: 80 and 83, respectively.
7:8-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aaron's staff turns to snake. • Pharaoh's magicians do same trick. • Aaron's snake eats their multiple snakes. • Possible typology of monotheism vs. many false gods.
7:14-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses meets Pharaoh at the river. • Pronounces God's judgement, for refusing to free Israel. • Water turns to blood, both river and that in containers.
7:20-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fish die in river water, stench overwhelming. • Magicians were able to replicate turning water to blood. • Pharaoh remains unconvinced, hardens heart.
7:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven days passed (number of perfection: unsure of significance)
Ch. 8	
8:1-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum given to Pharaoh. • Aaron stretches staff over waters of Egypt. • Plague of frogs begins, yet Egyptian magicians also produce frogs. • Frogs so numerous that Pharaoh asks Moses to pray God remove them. • Pharaoh changes his mind once frogs have subsided, retains slaves.
8:16-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum <i>not</i> given, possibly retort for Pharaoh's double-cross. • Aaron stretches staff, strikes dust. • Plague of gnats begins. • Magicians unable to replicate, attribute plague to "finger of God." • Still, Pharaoh's heart was hardened.
8:20-32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum given to Pharaoh. • Plague of flies begins, affects only Egypt, land of Goshen spared. • Pharaoh tells Moses to have people make sacrifices to God (to end plague). • Moses negotiates for 3 days to sacrifice to God, away from Egyptians. • Flies leave, Pharaoh changes his mind, retains slaves.
Ch. 9	
9:1-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum given to Pharaoh. • Livestock of Egyptians killed, Israelite animals unharmed. • Pharaoh's heart remained hardened.
9:8-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum not given to Pharaoh. • Moses throws soot into air, the plague of boils begins. • Distinction: God hardened Pharaoh's heart. • End to plague of boils not explicitly mentioned.
9:13-35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum given to Pharaoh.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plague of hail begins. "Fire came down on the earth." (possibly hail of fire) • Egypt ravaged by hail, land of Goshen spared. • Pharaoh admits he has sinned, asking Moses and Aaron to pray that God cease the hail. • Flax and barley crops ruined, wheat not yet sprouted, still time to salvage what was left (possible line of reasoning for Pharaoh). • Once the hail subsides, Pharaoh again hardens his heart.
Ch. 10		
	10:1-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God tells Moses that he has hardened Pharaoh's heart. (Reflects initial promise. Possibly indicative: beginning of the end, regarding plagues.) • Ultimatum given to Pharaoh. • Pharaoh's officials urge him to reconsider. • He tells Aaron and Moses that that the men may go worship the Lord, but not their children (implicitly, not the women either). • Clearly, partial compliance is not enough. • Plague of locusts begins. Locusts eat crops hail had not destroyed. • Again, Pharaoh admits sin and asks for locusts to be removed. • After locusts are gone, Pharaoh hardens his heart.
	10:21-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum not given to Pharaoh. • Plague of darkness begins, lasts for 3 days (possible typology of duration from Jesus' crucifixion to resurrection). Israelites still have light. • Pharaoh tells Moses that all Israelites may go worship, but flocks/herds must remain (possibly collateral, or to keep them from being self-sustaining). • Moses insists the animals be allowed to go too. • God hardens Pharaoh's heart (implicitly, they cannot go). • A bit of trash-talking between Pharaoh and Moses regarding ever making contact again. Moses essentially prophesies that they will not.
Ch. 11		
	11:1-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultimatum not given to Pharaoh. • God tells Moses to prepare for final plague, and be ready to depart. • Previous promise of plunder via women now extended to men as well: ask every neighbor for silver and gold. • Neighbors comply, as God gives Israelites favor in their eyes. • By this point, Moses was person of importance to everyone but Pharaoh. • God foretells: Around midnight, will kill every firstborn: human/animal. • God hardens Pharaoh's heart, Israelites not allowed to leave.
Ch. 12		
	12:1-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God gives Moses instructions for passover. • 1 year old sheep or goat without blemish, divided proportionally. • 1 per household, or can be shared amongst smaller households. • Blood to be put on door posts and lintel. • To be prepared over fire in its entirety.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left-overs must be burned completely. • Eat hurriedly, with sandals on and staff in hand. • All firstborn killed in every house, except those with blood on the door. • Unleavened bread to be eaten for seven days. • Those who eat leaven will be cutoff from Israel.
	12:29-32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At midnight, all firstborn struck down. • Pharaoh tells Aaron and Moses to leave, with Israelites, asks for a blessing.
	12:33-42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Egyptians tell Israelites to hurry and leave, giving them silver and gold. • Israelites go from Ramses to Succoth; 600,000 men w/ flocks + families. • Had been in captivity 430 years. • In order to celebrate Passover, must be circumcised, no servants allowed. • One law for both natives and aliens.
Ch. 13		
	13:1-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Festival of unleavened bread is instituted, in remembrance of deliverance. • Instructions reflect those of the initial Passover meal.
	13:11-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God demands consecration of first born unto him. • This was to serve as remembrance of the Passover, sparing the first born.
	13:17-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God led the people by pillars of cloud and fire to the Red Sea. • This was so that they would not have to face vs. Philistines.
Ch. 14		
	14:1-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses is forewarned by God. • God hardens Pharaoh's heart again. • Pharaoh changes his mind, and decides to pursue the Israelites. • Moses accuses God of bringing them to the Red Sea to die. • God tells Moses to stretch out his staff, Red Sea parts.
	14:26-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once Israelites are across, the Red Sea rushes in, drowning pursuers. • The people believe God all the more, and trust Moses.
Ch. 15		
	15:1-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Song of Moses: praising God for deliverance.
	15:20-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief snippet of song sung by Miriam.
	15:22-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israelites complain about bitter water; Moses throws in piece of wood, water becomes drink-able. Then they arrive at Elim, an oasis.
Ch. 16		
	16:1-36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God provides Israelites with manna each morning. • They are to take only as much as they need. • Stored left-overs breed worms, except in the case of Sabbath (preserved).
Ch. 17		
	17:1-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israelites become restless with nothing to drink.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses strikes the rock at Rephidim, and the people's thirst is quenched.
	17:8-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amalek fought against Israel at Rephidim. • Moses tells Joshua to lead the armies of Israel against them. • Moses holds up his hands. While hands are lifted, they are winning. • Aaron and Hur hold up Moses' hands, to ensure the victory.
Ch. 18		
	18:1-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses' father-in-law Jethro comes to meet the Israelites. • Jethro brings a burnt offering to God (implicitly, shares in the same family of faith, though Zipporah had to induct Gershom via circumcision). • Jethro advises Moses not to wear himself out, instead delegate authority. • Leaders are chosen from among the people.
Ch. 19		
	19:1-9a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israelites arrive at Mt. Sinai. • God surrounds Moses with a dense cloud with then speak, so that the people may hear by not see God.
	19:9b-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strict instructions given not to touch the mountain. • The people are consecrated, washed their clothes. • God tells Moses to bring Aaron, but to keep others at a safe distance.
Ch. 20		
	20:1-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 Commandments: • 1. No other God. • 2. No idols. • 3. Do not misuse God's name. • 4. Remember the Sabbath, keep it holy. • 5. Honor father and mother. (comes with promise of blessing) • 6. Do not murder. • 7. No not commit adultery • 8. Do not steal. • 9. Do not lie. • 10. Do not covet. • The people are scared, and want Moses to speak to God on their behalf.
	20:22-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God commands no idols of silver or gold be made. • God commands they sacrifice on an altar of earth. • If an altar of stone is made, it must not be carved. • No steps (ladder?) should be built to the altar.
Ch. 21		
	21:1-11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law concerning slaves. If a slave is freed, only he is free. If he wishes to remain with his family, he shall serve the master for life, marked in the ear. • Daughters cannot be sold to foreign people as slaves.
	21:12-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murderers shall be put to death. In cases of accidental killings, the killer can

		flee to a pre-approved location, appointed by God. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who strike or curse their parents are punishable by death. • Kidnappers are punishable by death. • Unduly harsh masters who kill slaves are punishable.
	21:28-36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laws concerning oxen.
Ch. 22		
	22:1-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laws of restitution.
	22:16-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social and religious laws. • Pregnancy out of marriage: Man should marry woman. • Should not oppress a resident alien.
Ch. 23		
	23:1-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laws concerning justice, true/false witness.
	23:10-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines of the Sabbath day and Sabbath year.
	23:14-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Festival of Unleavened Bread, 3 times yearly: best offerings.
	23:20-33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God promises to send an angel to guide them in conquest of Canaan.
Ch. 24		
	24:1-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions regarding blood of the covenant.
	24:9-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu and 70 elders witness God. • Moses spends 40 days with God on Mt. Sinai.
Ch. 25		
	25:1-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offerings collected for the Tabernacle.
	25:10-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ark of the Covenant - exact specifications described.
	25:23-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table for Bread of Presence - exact specifications described.
	25:31-40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lamp-stand of pure gold - exact specifications described.
Ch. 26		
	26:1-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions for building the Tabernacle.
	26:15-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions for building the framework.
	26:31-37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructions for sewing/positioning the curtain.
Ch. 27		
	27:1-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altar - exact specifications described.
	27:9-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court and its hangings - exact specifications described.
	27:20-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil for the lamp made of pure olive oil.
Ch. 28		
	28:1-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clothing for the priests is specified. Aaron and his sons are to have

		particularly distinctive garb.
	28:6-14	• Specifics set forth for the ephod to be worn by Aaron.
	28:15-30	• Specifics set forth for the breastplate to be worn by Aaron.
	28:31-43	• Robe of the ephod, turban, tunics described for Aaron and his sons. • If they do not wear them when ministering near the altar, they will die.
Ch. 29		
	29:1-37	• Process of ordination described, slaughter of bull involved.
	29:38-46	• Daily offerings of one lamb in the morning, and one in the evening.
Ch. 30		
	30:1-10	• Altar of incense built to exact specifications.
	30:11-16	• A half-shekel of silver to be given from each Israelite during the census. • To be designated for service of the tent of meeting.
	30:17-21	• Bronze basin constructed for feet and hand washing before entering into the presence of God, when ministering at altar.
	30:22-38	• Anointing of oil and incense described. Not to be for unqualified.
Ch. 31		
	31:1-11	• God raises up artisans and craftsmen Bezalel and Oholiab to build Ark of the Covenant and all the accompanying elements.
	31:12-17	• The people are instructed to keep the Sabbath holy.
	31:18	• Tablets of the covenant are given to Moses, written by God's own hand.
Ch. 32		
	32:1-35	• The people grow impatient after only 40 days, and pressure Aaron into making them a golden calf. • God tells Moses to return to the people immediately and reprimand them. • God wants to destroy them all, but Moses implores him not to. • Moses breaks the tablets in anger. • Moses reduces the golden calf to dust, making the idolaters drink it mixed with water. • Moses instructs the Levites to go kill those who had turned away. • God sends a plague on those who had worshiped the calf.
Ch. 33		
	33:1-11	• God commands the people to leave Sinai.
	33:12-23	• Moses intercedes on behalf of the people. • God shields Moses from seeing his face, lest he die.
Ch. 34		
	34:1-9	• God instructs Moses to make new tablets, on which God will again inscribe

		the 10 Commandments.
	34:10-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The covenant between God and his people is renewed. • God reiterates some of the instructions given earlier.
	34:29-35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moses' skin shown with light, unbeknownst to him.
Ch. 35		
	35:1-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working or kindling a fire on the Sabbath is forbidden.
	35:4-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparations for building the Tabernacle. • All skilled craftsman are called upon to build.
	35:20-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offerings for the Tabernacle are accumulated, all by freewill.
	35:30-35 ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bezalel and Oholiab again are mentioned. (Parallels beginning of ch. 31.)
Ch. 36		
	... 36:1-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They received the freewill offerings. • So much was given they had to restrain the people.
	36:8-38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Tabernacle commences under guidance of Bazalel/Oholiab.
Ch. 37		
	37:1-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ark of the Covenant constructed to exact specifications.
	37:10-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Table for the Bread of Presence constructed to exact specifications.
	37:17-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lamp-stand of gold, constructed to exact specifications.
	37:25-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altar of Incense constructed to exact specifications. • Anointing oil blended of pure incense.
Ch. 38		
	38:1-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altar of Burnt Offering built to exact specifications.
	38:9-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court of the Tabernacle built to exact specifications.
	38:21-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listing of materials used in the Tabernacle.
Ch. 39		
	39:1-31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vestments of the priesthood sewn to exact specifications.
	39:32-43	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of all the work completed.
Ch. 40		
	40:1-33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabernacle is set in order, and consecrated. • Moses did all as God had commanded him.
	40:34-38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cloud of God's glory descended upon the tent of meeting. • Would travel only when cloud ascended, so the tent could be moved.