

Gawler Baptist Church
A Pilgrim People
Excerpts in Exodus
Study 13 – Exodus 40

Before you begin, read the above chapters of Exodus. As you read, try to build a picture in your mind of what the tabernacle would have looked like and the preparations needed to worship in it. What strikes you as you read this chapter? Are you left with any questions?

This chapter describes how the tabernacle was to be set up and how it and the priests were to be consecrated. What do you learn about God and worship of him from what you read in this chapter?

Try to picture what it would have been like if you had been there and saw the cloud covering the tabernacle and it being filled with the glory of God.

- What do you think they would have actually seen?
- Why do you think Moses could not enter?
- The Hebrew word which is translated Glory means weight or heaviness or honour and signifies something substantial and successful. What does this tell us about God's glory?
- Here are some other occasions where the glory of God is manifested: Ex 15:11; 16:10; 24:16-17; 33:21-22; Lev 9:23-24; Num 14:10; 16:42; 1 Kings 8:10-11; 2 Chron 7:1-3; Is 6:3; Ez 10:3-5; Lk 2:9; Jn 1:14; Acts 7:55. What do you learn about God's glory from these?
- What is the relationship between God's glory and his actions? Ps 105:1-7.
- Have you ever seen anything that you thought might have been a manifestation of God's glory?
- Consider these passages and what they have to say about God's presence with us today: Ez 37:24-28; Eph 2:19-22; Rev 21:1-5, 22.

If you were to take one thing away from looking at the story of the Exodus, what would that be?