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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 5 • Session 4

## THE PEOPLE BUILT THE TABERNACLE

Exodus 35-40

### WHAT IS WORSHIP? WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING THE GREATNESS OF GOD.

God gave specific instructions for building a tabernacle. God would meet with His people in the tabernacle. Moses told the Israelites everything God said. He asked them to bring materials. God gave two men, Bezalel and Oholiab, special skills for crafting things. Bezalel, Oholiab, and all the other skilled craftsmen came together to build the tabernacle. The people kept bringing offerings. Pretty soon, the craftsmen told Moses, "The people are bringing more than enough." So Moses told the Israelites to stop bringing their offerings.

The craftsmen built the tabernacle just as God instructed. The tabernacle had 10 long curtains made out of linen. Eleven curtains made out of goat hair formed a tent over the tabernacle. Inside the tabernacle, the people made a veil. They made a wooden box covered in gold called an ark, a table, a lampstand, and many other parts. Every part had a special purpose.

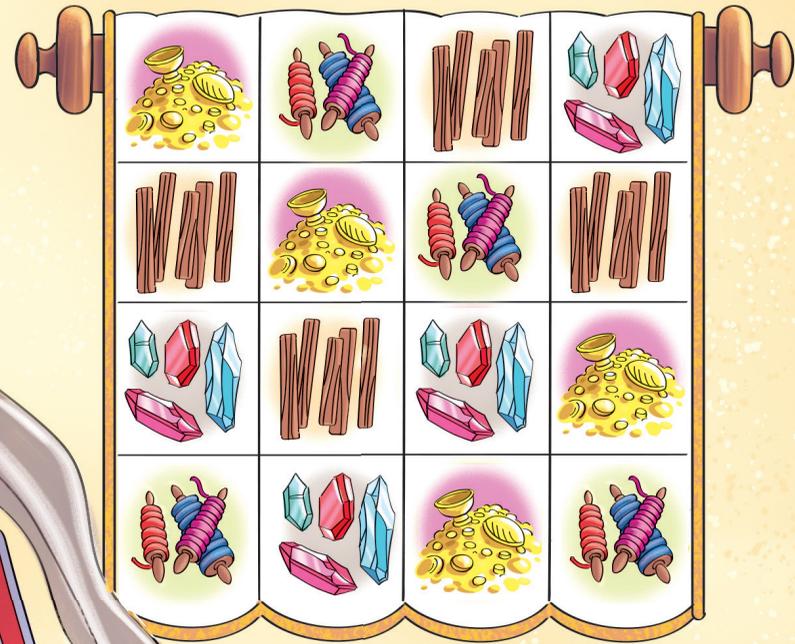
God told Moses to bring Aaron and his sons to the entrance of the tabernacle. Aaron put on special holy garments, and Moses anointed him to be priest. Aaron's sons were also anointed to serve God as priests.

Before, God had led the Israelites from a cloud; now the cloud covered the tabernacle. God's glory filled the tabernacle. God made a sign for the people: If the cloud covered the tabernacle, the people would stay where they were. When the cloud lifted from the tabernacle, the Israelites would move and take the tabernacle with them.

The cloud of the Lord was on the tabernacle during the day, and fire was inside the cloud at night. All the Israelites could see it as they traveled.

**Christ Connection:** God told the Israelites to build a tabernacle where He would dwell with them. God wants to be with His people. As part of His plan to save sinners, God sent Jesus to dwell on earth with people.

**Supply Sorting** | Divide this grid into four sections so that each section is made up of four squares that touch sides and contains one of each kind of supply. The sections will not all have the same shape.



**Place with a Purpose**

Start at the first letter and write down every other letter. When you get to the last letter, move back one letter and collect the remaining letters to discover the message.



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