Old Testament Survey

Exodus

Author: Moses (Exodus 24:4 cf. Deut. 31:9)

Date: Written ~ 1446 BC (date of Exodus). Period of time covered. ~1526 BC to ~1447 BC (birth of Moses to Construction of Tabernacle)

Theme: To teach Israel that they are redeemed to serve the Lord.

Outline:
I. Redemption of Israel from Egypt. 1-18
II. Establishment of the Mosaic Covenant. 19-40

Key People
Pharaoh
Moses
Miriam
Joshua
Aaron

Key Chapters & Verses
(Bold is required for Elders)

3. The burning bush - commissioning of Moses
3:13-15 God, the self existent One, His active presence. (I am who I am).
4:11 - The Lord controls human abilities
7-11. The ten plagues on Egypt
12. The Passover
14. Crossing the Red Sea
15. The song of Moses, Provision of water at Marah
15:26 - The Lord, their healer
18. Jethro’s counsel to Moses to delegate authority
19. Moses on Mt. Sinai with the LORD
19:5,6 - The Mosaic covenant. Israel is to be God’s own possession, a kingdom of priests and a holy nation -If they obey.
20:1-17 The ten commandments
21:22-24 Life begins at conception. Just penalty for injuries (eye for eye,etc) Lex Talionis
23:14-17 Laws concerning Feasts (unleavened bread, harvest and in-gathering)
32. The Golden Calf, Moses’ entreaty for the people
40. Erection of the tabernacle & its filling with the glory of the LORD

Date of the Exodus: 1446 - 480 years prior to the dedication of Solomon’s Temple in 966 (I Kings 6:1)
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I. Redemption of Israel from Egypt (1-18)

A. The Multiplication of Israel (1)
   1:1-7  Jacob’s family in Egypt
   1:8   A new king
   1:9-14  Egyptians afraid, Israel oppressed

1:16-22 Pharaoh orders infanticide of newborn boys *God*

B. Moses’ Call and Commission (2-6)

1. Moses’ Early Life (2)
   2:1-10  Birth & Preservation -
   2:11-14  Moses’ Justice.

   2:15-22  Moses Refined in the desert

   2:23-25  Children of Israel groan in bondage

2. Moses’ Commission (3-4)
   3:1-9  The Burning Bush -
   3:10  Moses’ first commission.
   3:11  Moses’ first excuse -
   3:12  God’s first answer -
   3:13  Moses’ second excuse -
   3:14  God’s second answer -
   3:15-20  Instructions to Moses -
   3:21-22  Prediction of spoiling Egypt (cf. Gen. 15:14)

4  Moses given power
   4:1  Moses’ third excuse -
   4:2-5  First sign - staff changed into serpent and back again.
   4:6-8  Second sign - leprosy -
   4:9  Third sign - Power over Nile -
   4:10-13  Moses’ fourth excuse -
4:14-17  God’s answer -
4:18-20  Moses returns to family & prepares to leave
4:21-23  Miracles predicted -
4:24-26  Moses returns to Egypt -
4:27-31  Moses & Aaron meet & go to Elders

3. Moses’ First Confrontation with Pharaoh & Results (5-6)
5:1-5  Moses first visit to Pharaoh.
5:6-21  People’s labors increased.
5:22-23  Moses’ intercession -
6:1-9  God’s promises to redeem them with an outstretched arm & great judgments
6:10-13  Moses’ fifth excuse & God’s charge -
6:14-27  Heads of families of Israel

C. Redemption from Egypt
1. Plagues (7-11)
7:1-6  God tells Moses & Aaron His plans and purpose -

7:8-13  Serpent - against the Psyllii of Egypt - Magicians & Conjurers.

7:14-25  Water into Blood  Nile was considered related to deities by Egyptians. Khnum: guardian of the Nile. Hapi: Spirit of the Nile. Osiris - Nile was considered this god’s bloodstream.

8:16-19  gnats - against Hathor, Nut? A small midge of some sort?

8:20-32  Insects - against Shu, Isis?

9:1-7  Death of Cattle against Hathor (mother-goddess - in form of a cow), Apis (bull of god Ptah, symbol of fertility), & Mnevis (Sacred bull of Heliopolis).

9:8-17  Boils against Sekhmet?

9:18-35  Hail against Geb?, Nut (sky goddess), Isis (goddess of life) & Seth (protector of crops)
10:1-20  **Locusts** against **Serapis**, **Isis** (goddess of life), **Seth** (protector of crops)?

10:21-29 **Darkness** against **Ra/Aten/ Atum/ Horus** - various sun gods.

11:1-10 Revelation of the last plague - **Death of first born** against **Osiris**.

2. **Passover & Exodus (12)**
   12: 1-13 Instructions for the first Passover -
   12:14-20 Instructions for future Passover memorials -
   12:21-28 Instructions for Passover given to the people
   12:29-30 The final plague -
   12:31-41 Departure from Egypt -
   12:42-51 The Passover Ordinance -

3. **Consecration (13)**
   13:1-16 Instructions on consecration of the first born -
   13:17-22 Journey to Etham -

4. **Destruction of Egyptian Army (14-15)**
   14:1-10 Pharaoh pursues Israel
   14:10-12 First complaint
   14:13-22 Israel crosses the Red Sea -
   14:23-31 Egyptian army destroyed -
   15:1-21 Song of redemption.
   15:22-27 Journey Marah and Elim -

5. **Provision (16-17)**
   16 Manna & Quail -
   17:1-7 Water at Massah & Meribah -
   17:8-16 Defeat of Amalek -

6. **Organization (18)**
II. Establishment of the Mosaic Covenant. (19-40)
A. The Law is Given (19-23).
19:1-25 Arrival at Sinai -
20:1-17 The Ten commandments -

\[ \text{Related to God} \]

\[ \text{Related to People} \]

20:18-21 The people’s fear of God. -

20:22-26 First instructions for worship -

**Domestic Laws (21-23)**

21:1-11 Slavery -
21:12-36 Personal injury -
22:1-5 Property rights -
22:16-23:9 Miscellaneous laws -

23:10-13 Sabbath laws - years & days
23:14-19 National feasts - Unleavened Bread, Harvest & Ingathering
23:20-33 Conquering the promised land -

B. The Covenant (24)

24:1-8 The covenant is read and affirmed -
24:18-18 On Mount Sinai -

C. Instructions for the Tabernacle & Worship (25-31)

25:1-9 Contributions
25:10-22 The Ark of the Covenant
25:23-30 Table of Showbread
26:1-14 Curtains -
26:15-30 boards and sockets,
26:31-37 Veil and screen.
27:1-8 Bronze altar
27:9-21 Court of Tabernacle.
28:1-43 Clothing for the priests
29:1-46 Consecration of the priests
30:1-10 Altar of incense
30:11-16 Half shekel Ransom
30:17-21 The Laver
30:22-33 The anointing oil
30:34-38 The incense.
31:1-11 The skilled craftsman
31:12-18 The sign of the Sabbath.

D. Rebellion & the Golden Calf (32)
32:1 The Desire of the People
32:2-3 Aaron’s Instructions
32:4 Golden calf created & declared to be their God
32:5 A feast of false worship
32:6-10 God’s anger and threat to destroy them
32:11-14 Moses’ entreaty
32:15-21 Moses’ anger
32:22-24 Aaron’s lie
32:25-29 Consequences
32:30-31 Moses’ intercession
32:32-35 God justice

E. Moses’ Intercession (33)
33:1-6 Journey resumes, mourning
33:7-11 The Tent of Meeting
33:12-23 Moses Intercession & desire for God

F. The Covenant Renewed (34)
34:1-9 Tablets replaced and God shows Moses his “afterglow”

34:10-28 Stipulations of the renewed covenant.
34:29-35f Moses’ shining face

G. Preparation & Construction of the Tabernacle (35-40)

35:1-36:7 Preparations:
- Sabbath (1-3),
- Contributions (4-9),
- Workmen (10-19),
- Gifts received. (20-29),
- Craftsmen (35:30-36:4)
  Sufficient Gifts (36:5-7)

36:8-39:31 Construction:
- Curtains & veil (36:8-38),
- The Ark (37:1-9),
- Table (37:10-16),
- Lampstand & utensils (37:17-24),
- Altar of incense, oil & incense (37:25-29),
- Altar of burn offerings (38:1-7),
- Bronze laver (38:8),
- Court (38:9-20)
- Costs ( 38:21-31)
  Priestly garments fashioned (39:1-31)

39:32–40:33 Tabernacle Completed
- Parts completed and gathered (39:32-43)
- Instructions for Erection & Consecration (40:1-16)
  Erection of the Tabernacle (40:17-33)

40:34-38 Shekinah Glory -

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