YOUTH WORSHIP 27 JANUARY 2024

3.15pm

Call to Worship Speaker: Pastor Benjamin Quah

**Opening Prayer** 

Leading in Song Lorraine Lai

Scripture Reading: Exodus 16:17-35

Rostered Pastor: Pastor Benjamin Chong

Message: "To be kept for your generations"

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**Closing Prayer** 

Offering

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Text: Exodus 16:17-35

Title: "To be kept for your generations"

### **REVIEW OF EXODUS 16**

- 1. The journey of the children of Israel
  - a. They journeyed from Elim (an oasis)
  - b. Enroute to Sinai
  - c. But in between they came to the Wilderness of Sin
- 2. They complained and God gave them Manna
- 3. In it was a Test for the Israelites

### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TEST

"Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not."

# Exodus 16:4

- What was God testing?
  Whether the people will walk in God's law or not
- 2. What was God looking for?

Exodus 15:26 in review

"If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you."

- a. If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God
- b. Do what is right in His sight
- c. Give ear to His commandments
- d. Keep all His statutes

### THE SCOPE OF THE TEST

1. They were to gather a certain quota everyday

Exodus 16:16

- a. According to each one's need
- b. One omer for each person

2. They were also not to leave any of it till morning

Exodus 16:19

- a. To not keep any remainder
- b. To believe that God would provide for them the next day
- 3. Another law to be kept, regarding the Sabbath

Exodus 16:5, 23

- a. They were to gather twice as much bread on the sixth day
- b. For there will be no gathering on the seventh day (the day of Sabbath)

### **HOW THE ISRAELITES FARED**

1. They did not heed Moses

Notwithstanding they did not heed Moses. But some of them left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them.

Exodus 16:20

- a. Some of the Israelites left part of the collected manna till morning
- b. It bred worms and stank
- 2. They refused to keep God's law and commandments

<sup>27</sup> Now it happened *that some* of the people went out on the seventh day to gather, but they found none. <sup>28</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "How long do you refuse to keep My commandments and My laws? <sup>29</sup> See! For the LORD has given you the Sabbath; therefore He gives you on the sixth day bread for two days. Let every man remain in his place; let no man go out of his place on the seventh day." <sup>30</sup> So the people rested on the seventh day.

Exodus 16:27-30

a. Some also went out on the seventh day to gather

- b. Despite what God had commanded about the Sabbath
- c. Obviously, they found no manna!

#### SPECIAL LESSONS THAT ARE MEANT TO BE PASSED DOWN AND KEPT

<sup>32</sup>Then Moses said, "This *is* the thing which the LORD has commanded: 'Fill an omer with it, to be kept for your generations, that they may see the bread with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.' " <sup>33</sup> And Moses said to Aaron, "Take a pot and put an omer of manna in it, and lay it up before the LORD, to be kept for your generations."

# Exodus 16:32-33

- 1. The LORD's command
  - a. To take a pot and fill an omer of manna with it
  - b. To be kept as a symbol for future generations
  - c. That future generations may also learn as God had intended
- 2. The special lessons to be passed down and kept
  - a. To know that God He is the LORD our God

And you shall know that I am the LORD your God.

Exodus 16:12

- i. Only God could have provided and sustained Israel the way He did It was a special miracle that lasted 40 years!
- ii. God is faithful to keep His covenant
- b. To live by the Word of God

<sup>2</sup> And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you *and* test you, to know what *was* in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. <sup>3</sup> So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every *word* that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

Deuteronomy 8:2-3

i. How should we live?

ii. Not by bread alone, but by the Word of God

Believing, Trusting, ... Obeying!

c. To not forget God

<sup>16</sup> Who fed you in the wilderness with manna, which your fathers did not know, that He might humble you and that He might test you, to do you good in the end— <sup>17</sup> then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.'

<sup>18</sup> "And you shall remember the LORD your God, for *it is* He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as *it is* this day. <sup>19</sup> Then it shall be, if you by any means forget the LORD your God, and follow other gods, and serve them and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish.

Deuteronomy 8:16-19

- i. When we have become successful
- ii. To rememberow it was God who kept and blessed us

### **CONCLUSION**

- 1. We will go through Testing
- 2. Our challenge to walk in God's ways
- 3. It is ultimately for our good
  - a. That we may know God
  - b. That we may live by His Word
  - c. That we may not forget God