

## Covered and Filled Ex 40:34-38

### Then...(Ex 40:34)

- This is the crescendo
- This 'Then' is the then following the redemptive work of God to His people
- Then, after God sought, saved, provided, and forgave
- The Cloud covered
  - The Cloud was the representative, encapsulated presence of God's Glory
  - The Cloud by day the Fire by night- both representing a kindness of provision in a manifestation that produced awe- which makes the golden calf all the more disturbing for us
- The Cloud filled
  - This was the symbolic total dwelling of God with His people he would do more than lead, He would dwell

### Moses could not enter? (Ex 40:35)

- Why? He had been near or downright in the cloud on multiple occasions before
- This seems a singularity for a purpose
  - This type of full indwelling in the tabernacle was a special and significant event by God to illustrate His abiding presence
  - God moving forward dwells in the tabernacle in a way that allows man to obediently come before Him as we will see next

### The continued presence of God's Glory (Ex 40:36-38)

- Here Moses describes the continued interaction of God's presence with His people
- The Cloud and the Fire would be the full dwelling and leading of God to His people
  - Prepositions matter, The Cloud would be 'on' the Tabernacle by day and the Fire would be 'in' the tabernacle by night...what a picture
  - God was always active and engaged, gifting the people what they needed, by day offering an obvious sign that He was there and affording a respite from the hard sun, at night He was not asleep but just as awake and engaged as He was during the day His home being a beacon to His people and His enemies

### Better Cover and More Full (Heb 10:12-14)

- A Better Cover (Lev 17:11, Eph 1:7)
- The Fullest Full (Eph 1:22-23. Eph 5:18-20)
- The Joy or the Lord is our Strength (Neh 8:10, 1 Thes 5:16)...[but our Father is younger than we](#)
- The church is Christ's Body on earth, we have been gifted the great ministry of reconciliation (2 cor 5:18-19), we are to be a great comfort and a shining beacon, we are to never sleep, we shine as a home full of life to those who need it, we remind our enemies that we are always vigilant for we do not sleep, we provide a refuge from the heat and strain of sin and death...we must remain young as our Father, or in the monotony of sin we will stand next to the very Cloud of Glory as we strive to build a calf of mud and nothing