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Torah: Sh'mot (Exodus) 38:21 - 40-38

Aliyah 1 - 38:21 - 39:1 Accounting of the gold, sliver, bronze, and yarn donated by all the people

Aliyah 2 - 39:2 - 21 Assembly of the ephod and breastplate of the Cohen Ha Gadol

Aliyah 3 - 39:22 - 32 And his robe, head gear; and the standard 4 garments for all the priesthood Aliyah 4 - 39:33 - 43 All the components of the tabernacle presented to Moshe - they had done it! Date is set -Nisan 1; instructions for anointing of components and priesthood

Aliyah 6 - 40:17 - 27 Components assembled as specified and ordered by Adonai

Aliyah 7 - 40:28 - 38 Final arrangements done; The Glory fills the tabernacle; cloud and fire lead them!

Haftarah: M'lakhim Alef (1 Kings) 7:40-8:21

B'rit Hadashah: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

- 1. (38:21) Two men were delegated the job of directing the construction of the Tabernacle. Who was assigned the job of CPA? How is integrity defined in P'kudei?
- 2. How many times in the last two chapters does the phrase, "as Adonai had ordered Moshe," appear?
- 3. If God's presence dwelt in the tabernacle he commanded Moshe to build, why should we not recreate it today?
- 4. How does the Tabernacle relate to the "old" covenant? The "new" covenant?
- 5. If God never changes, what changes from one covenant to another ("old" to "new")?
- 6. What is the "first" and the "second" described by the writer of Hebrews chapter 9?
- 7. How is the High Priest representative of the difference between the first (old) and the second (new) covenants?

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8.	Why could Moshe be in God's presence on Mt. Sinai, but not enter the Tabernacle when God's presence filled it?
9.	Do you see any similarities between the Tabernacle and the Garden of Eden?
Q	uestions for reflection and application:
1.	(39:2) The people presented their best resources and talents. How do you view what you give to Him? (Rom 12:1, Mal 1:6-14, 1Co 11:20-22)
2.	(39:33) God's powerful hand will accomplish His plan. Have you brought what He has given you and laid it before Him so He can work His miracles? (Deu 8:18, Mat 14:17-21, 1Ki 17:8-15, Isa 55:11, Num 11:21-23, Pro 10:22)
3.	(40:2) Do you put your trust in God's promise, that He will raise up the "fallen tent of David," for Israel and all who believe in Him? (Amo 9:11-12, Mar 8:31-32, 1Co 15:4-7, Joh 6:40, Isa 60:1-3, Mal 4:2)
4.	(40:2) Everyone played a part in the construction of the Tabernacle, and every piece had a purpose. What is your role and where do you fit in? (Mat 17:20, Mar 16:17-18, Joh 14:12, Eph 4:11-13, Act 19:13-16, Rom 15:18-19)