

Study 2

Dwelling in the Secret Place

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The Burning Bush



The Pillar of Cloud and Fire



The Smoking Mountain



The Tent of Meeting



The Most Holy Place



The New Jerusalem

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Exodus 3:1-8

Deut. 33:16 - 'him who dwells in the bush'



Gen. 3:7-10

7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. 8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife **hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God** among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, **"Where are you?"** 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and **I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.**"

James 4:6-10

6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but **gives grace to the humble.**" 7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 **Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.** Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 **Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.**

The Pillar

Pillar of cloud and fire

- Singular pillar of cloud was source of both darkness and light - Exo.14:20
- The fire was “on” / “in” the cloud - Exo.40:38
- The cloud did not convert to fire: it took on the ‘appearance of fire’ at night - Num.9:15-16

“Imagine the cloud as the covering for the fire, so that by day it appeared as a dark cloud in contrast with the light of the sun, but by night as a fiery splendor” - Keil

The Pillar



Deuteronomy 32:10-12

10 "He found him in a desert land, and in the howling waste of the wilderness; he encircled him, he cared for him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. 11 **Like an eagle** that stirs up its nest, that flutters over its young, **spreading out its wings**, catching them, bearing them on its pinions, 12 the LORD alone guided him...



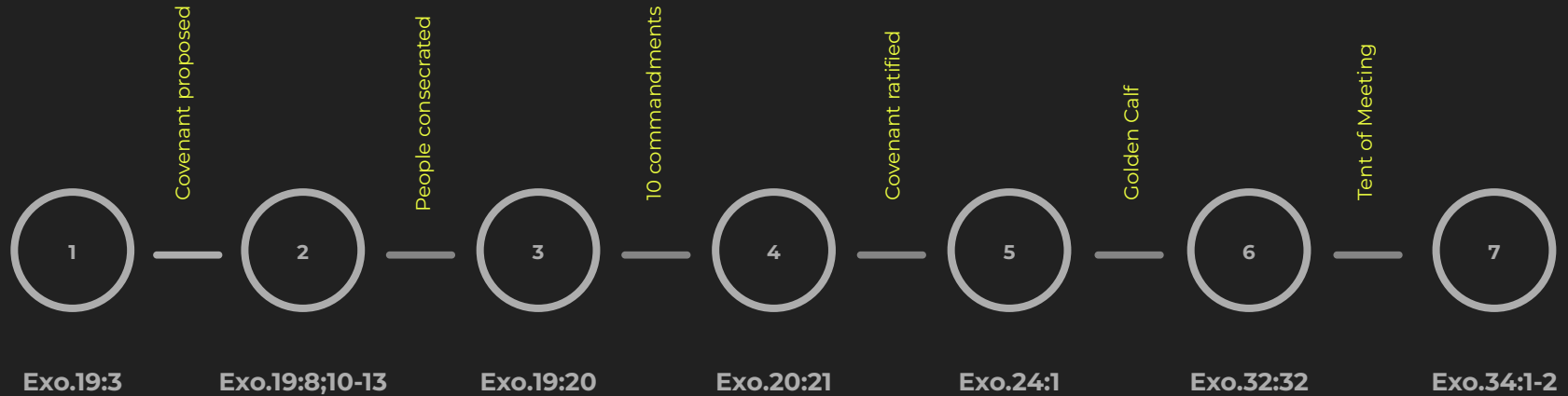
Deuteronomy 1:33

33 who went before you in the way **to seek** you out a place to pitch your tents, in fire by night and in the cloud by day, **to show** you by what way you should go.

Joshua 1

5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. **Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you.** 6 Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. 7 Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the **law** that Moses my servant commanded you. **Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left,** that you may have good success wherever you go. 8 This Book of the Law **shall not depart** from your mouth, but you shall **meditate on it day and night**, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will **make your way prosperous**, and then you will have good success. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is **with you wherever you go.**"

The Ascents



Blazing fire, darkness and gloom, and a tempest



Hebrews 10:22-23

22 let us **draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith**, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope **without wavering**, for **he who promised is faithful**.