Week 22: March 22, 2025

Shabbat Message

## Vayak'hel / And He Assembled / וַיַּקְהֵל

**Exodus 35:1-38:20** 

# My Way or Yah's Way

**A Willing Heart** 

### Introduction

In this portion we see the Sabbath again reiterated to the Israelites once again making it one of the most important commandments that have been written down by Elohim. He was very emphatic about and wants all of His servants to obey His Word. There is great blessing in doing so. We then see the construction of the Tabernacle or the Mishkan as it is Called in Hebrew. This is the dwelling of Yehovah and where the priests would be conducting sacrifices and also intercession would be going on this place. Only the Priests could go beyond a certain point because of the set apartness of Elohim. The Priest had to approach a certain way because if they didn't then they would be struck down and killed themselves as we will see later on in the Torah cycle. We see the reiteration of the Tabernacle and all of its furnishings. Our God is a God of patterns, types, shadows and literalism. It is fun to search out the things of Elyon and to see what He has in store for us every week. It should never have a begrudging attitude about serving our Elohim or even about coming on the Sabbath day. It should be a joy to come if it is not then you have an issue with your heart and must repent of your sin. This leads us into this weeks message.

#### Exodus 35:1-3

- Why do you think Yehovah started with he Sabbath right before the building of the
   Tabernacle? He probably knew people would be zealous to work on in it and they might
   be tempted to work straight through to get it done.
- 2. He only wanted His Tabernacle to be worked on for 6 days out of the week but seventh day was to be a rest day even if it was a job to build the tent.
- 3. Not all ministry on Shabbat should be done on Shabbat. There are certain things that I have heard over the years that should be done on Shabbat because "Christ gave us this

command" which I am still wondering what that means. Some of the things I have heard was helping out with the work days at widows houses or fixing cars on Shabbat for ministry or doing some manual labor in the name of righteous work. That is work!

Yehovah wants us to rest and actually that supersedes work.

#### Exodus 35:4-9

- Take from among you an offering or an Terumah which is offering that is lifted up as sacred or valuable not something burned here but used to be utilized for the community.
- 2. The people were responsible for the upkeep of the Tabernacle and the making sure the Priests and Levites were taken care of as well. Biblically speaking in the days of the Renewed Covenant if you are called to be a Pastor you have been called out of the world to do a set apart work. Yehovah may not want every Pastor to work a secular job.
- 3. Everything that the people contributed to the Tabernacle was utilized for the Worship of Yehovah.

#### Exodus 35:10-19

- Yehovah wasn't looking for stuff to fill His Tabernacle or even that people give Him "stuff" what He was looking for was a willing heart.
- 2. Wise hearted is actually mentioned twice in a row means very wise hearted men.
- 3. Five meanings to this word wise in the Hebrew 1.) Skillful (In Technical Work) 2.) Wise (In

Administration) 3.) Learned 4.) Prudent 5.) Wise (ethically and religiously). Wisdom is one of the seven fold spirits of God.

#### Exodus 35:20-23

- All the congregation left Moses to go get to work to gather up materials. They were eager to get to work.
- 2. Everyone whose heart stirred is actually everyone's heart that was carried was the one that came.
- 3. Everyone whose spirit was willing or in the Hebrew moved! He uses those who have been carried and moved by the Ruach HaKodesh to work to build His dwelling place. This portion is not about money but it is about offering with a willing heart.

#### Exodus 36:1-5

- Yehovah is looking for a Bezalel and a Oholiav to work a long side the wise hearted men.
   Bezalel means In the Shadow or protect of EL....Ps. 91. Oholiav means Father's Tent. The two men in charge of the building was a foreshadow of how the Tabernacle is the Father's Tent. John 14:1.
- 2. They worked along side all of the wise hearted men in whom he placed insight or discernment and understanding. We must have insight like the sons of Issachar and We must have discernment like the sons of Zion! Are you a Son of Zion or a Son of Greece? Zechariah 9:13

3. They continued to bring offerings morning by morning until Moses said It's enough...M'Dai where we get our word Daienu!

### **Take Away**

- 1. Yehovah is looking for wise and discerning people to build for Him a dwelling.
- 2. The people gave until they couldn't give anymore.
- 3. When we are in Yehovah presence we are In our Father's Tent and Protection.

## **Application**

- 1. I will continue to build Yehovah's Kingdom by proclaiming His name and worshipping Him.
- 2. I will ask Yehovah to give me a willing heart to serve Him in whatever capacity.
- 3. I will honor Yehovah with my offering of my life, time, and anything else He asks me for.

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