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The Daily Bible Reader 2015

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FEBRUARY 2015 EXODUS

Exodus

Memory Verse: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house bondage. You shall have no other gods before me. - Exodus 20:2,3



February 8-14 Chapters 11-20

February 15-21 Chapters 21-30

February 22-28 Chapters 31-40 We will be reading through Exodus during the month of February. Our schedule is divided into weekly readings. By reading at least two chapters each day you should be able to finish the readings each week. May God bless you as you feast on his Word each day!

The Greek title "Exodus" means departure. This book records the re- lease of Israel from slavery in Egypt. During the 400 years in Egypt, the family of Jacob grew from 70 to between 2 to 3 million. Both Old and New Testaments recognize Moses as author. (Mal. 4:4; Jn. 1:45) The book of Exodus is included in the Pentateuch. (Genesis- Deuteronomy) Like the rest of these first five books, Exodus was probably written dur- ing the time Israel wandered in the wilderness.

The book of Exodus is divided into two sections: 1) the redemption from slavery (Ch.1-18),and 2) the giving of the law at Mt. Sinai (Ch. 19-40) Because of his faithfulness to the promise he made to Abraham, God delivers his people from bondage, preserves them in the wilder- ness, and gives them the land of promise. God gave Moses a moral and ceremonial law, as well as a pattern for building the tabernacle.

Moses, the principal character of the Exodus story, was born to Hebrew slave parents. He was miraculously spared from Pharaoh's wrath on the Hebrew babies. Moses fled to Midian after killing an Egyptian. Forty years later he returned to lead Israel out of Egypt.

The Ten Commandments were (Ex. 20:1-17) given as a guide for daily living. These age old commandments still have relevance today. All of them but one, ("remember the Sabbath) are repeated in the New Testament at least in principle.

As we read through Exodus we will also learn much about the priesthood, the Ark of the Covenant and the provisions made for Israel to offer sacrifices to God.

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I hope you will enjoy reading through Exodus.