

THE PEOPLE BUILT THE TABERNACLE



Watch the Bible story video or read all or parts of <u>Exodus 35–40</u> from the Bible.



The Royal Standard is a unique flag that lets people know the location of the Queen of England. The flag is used to let the locals know that their queen is near them. When she is staying in Buckingham Palace, the flag flies over the palace to show that she is home. When she travels, the flag is flown over the car, plane, or other home for however long she is there. When she leaves, the flag is lowered and goes with her to the next location. With a flag that always tells people where she is, it doesn't sound like the queen would be good at hide-and-seek.

When the Israelites left Egypt, God went with His people. Like the Royal Standard that shows the queen's presence, God made His presence known by leading the people with a cloud by day and fire by night. God desired to dwell with His people, so He gave Moses instructions for building the tabernacle. This tent would be God's home to dwell among His people.

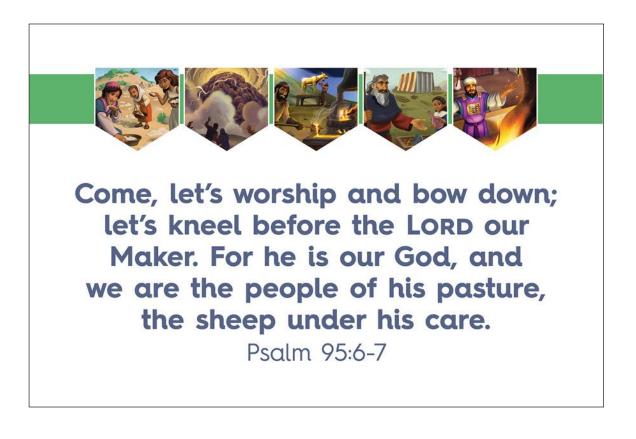
Wherever they traveled, the Israelites would set up the tabernacle in the center of camp as a powerful reminder that God was with His people. God has always wanted to be with His people. Even when sin separated Adam and Eve from God in the garden, God had a plan to be with His people. God sent His son, Jesus, to live on earth with the people. Through Jesus, all who believe can be reunited with God, and one day they will dwell with Him for all eternity.

God told the Israelites to build a tabernacle where He would dwell with them. God wants to be with His people. As part of His plan to save sinners, God sent Jesus to dwell on earth with people.

Pray: God, thank You for loving us with an everlasting love and always wanting to be with Your people. Even though people chose to sin against You, You sent Jesus to dwell with people. Help us trust in Him so that we can have a new life and dwell with You forever.



The key passage below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.





Finish your family worship experience by playing the Key Passage song to worship and as a further way to memorize Scripture.