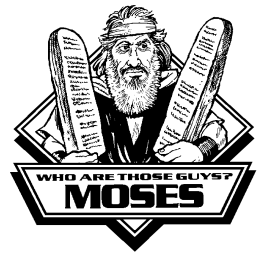


The Exodus: *The Deliverance of the Hebrews by God through Moses*

Based on Illustration from Henry Wendt's The Divine Drama materials.

INTRO: The closing chapters of Genesis describe Israel happily settled in Egypt. But during the next 400 years, the Israelites (also called the Hebrews) became enslaved to the Egyptians (Pharaoh). At the right time, God heard their cry for help. Compare the following info with the illustration. Note that the illustration is set against a backdrop of the Middle East.



1a. God demonstrated His power against Pharaoh and ‘cracked’ him up with the 10 plagues upon him and his people. This is a holy war that God engaged upon Pharaoh.

1b. God reached into Egypt to set His people free.

2a. The opening chapters of Exodus speak of Israel in bondage in Egypt

2b. The Hebrews crossed the Red Sea out of the bondage of Egypt. (chpt 14) *Note 14:13-14*

3a. Settled at Mount Sinai where Moses received the 10 Commandments from God. God summoned Moses up the mountain and made a Covenant of Human Obligation with Israel. This covenant contained law-codes to direct the people’s lives (for their own good, not to keep people from ‘having fun.’)

3b. Pillars of Fire and Cloud atop the mountain (Ark of the Covenant in the Tabernacle; see Exodus 25-31, 35-40) reminded the Hebrews of God’s continued presence with them. (others: tabernacle, court yard; sacrifices; community of faith/people) The structure and layout of the Tabernacle make the Sinai experience transportable and continuing.

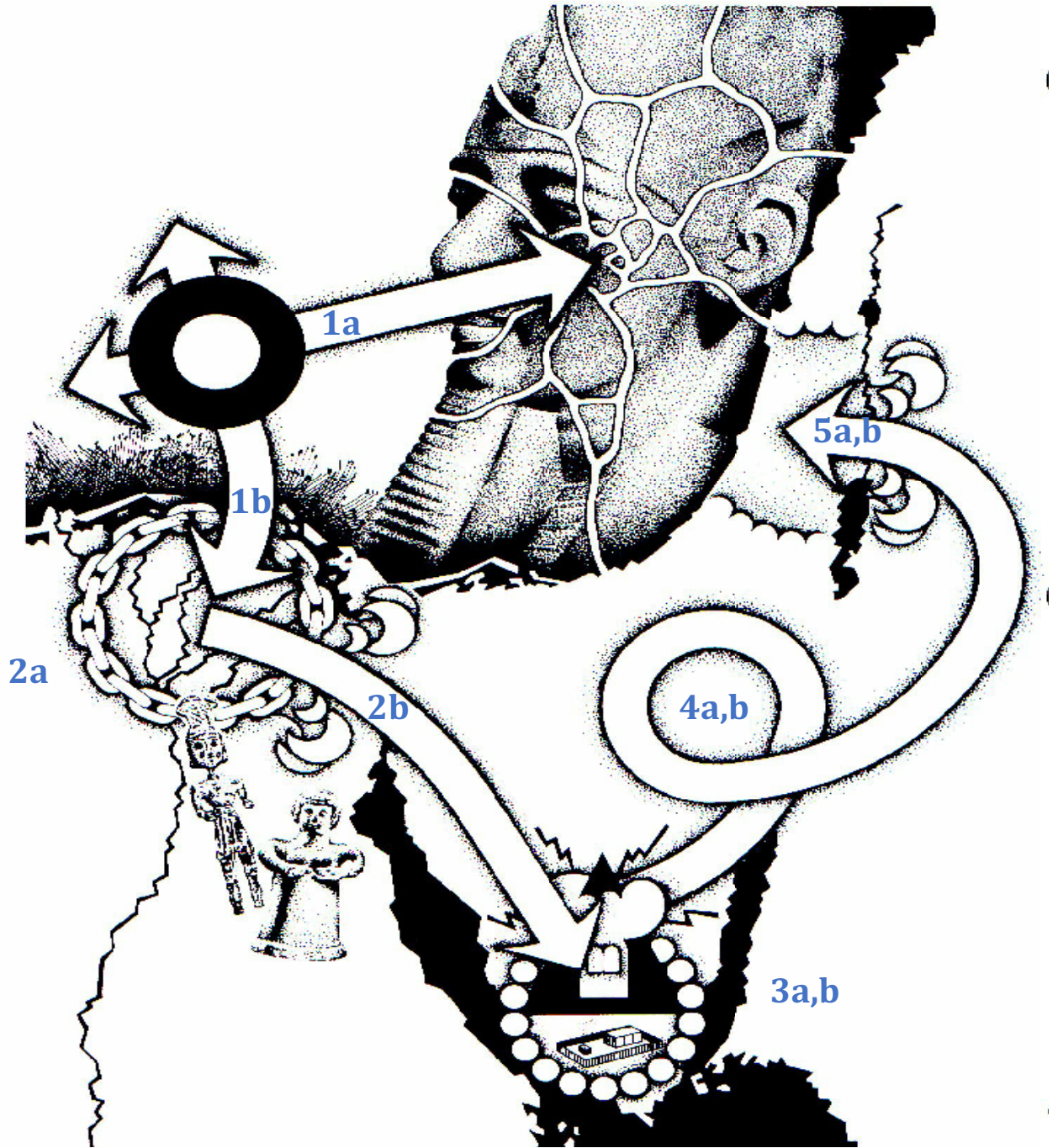
4a. After 9 months at Mt. Sinai, the Hebrews were led by God into the wilderness for 40 years. God uses the Ark of the Covenant to lead the way. (Num 10-36)

4b. Moses died and Joshua took over.

5a. Hebrews crossed the Jordan River (water stopped; crossed on dry ground; Joshua 3-6)

5b. Entered the land of Canaan, the Promised Land (fulfilling God’s promises to Abraham years earlier). Canaan was a land full of unbelievers, so when the Israelites entered, they took the land by force.





Homework

Watch Bible Project Video

<https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/exodus-19-40/>

Write down three interesting points of the video Exodus 19-40 and be prepared to share them with your table group.

Now, based on the video, write down three questions and answers to ask your classmates.

Q1: _____

A1: _____

Q2: _____

A2: _____

Q3: _____

A3: _____

EXODUS OVERVIEW

Write the headings of each chapter/section to gain an understanding of the flow of events.

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Which of the above chapters seem extra interesting to you?

What part of the Exodus story is most exciting to you? Why?
