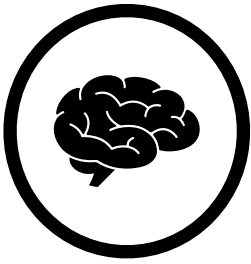


# SERMON NOTES

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26th February 2023 | Exodus 40:34-38 | God of Glory

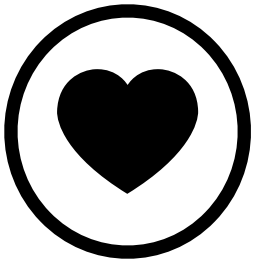
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## Exploring the text

Questions for reflection:

1. What is the context of these verses (what has been happening before)?
2. Contrast Exodus 24:8-18 with Exodus 40:34-38. What are the similarities and differences?
3. The word 'cloud' is used six times in these verses. What is the 'cloud' described as doing and what do you think this communicates of God?
4. Twice we read that 'the glory of God filled the tabernacle'. Why is this significant?
5. Why do you think that Moses could not enter the Tent of Meeting as he had before (Exodus 33:7-11)?
6. How important was the physical presence of God to the Israelites at this time?
7. In what way do we see God's glory in His church today?



## Connecting our hearts

Questions for reflection:

1. How would you describe God's glory to someone in your everyday normal place?
2. Stu described God's glory as 'the magnificence, worth, loveliness and grandeur of His many perfections'. Do you think this is a good description - what would you add?
3. Read Psalm 104 - how does this describe the glory of God?
4. Stu suggested we shouldn't look back at Exodus 40 wistfully. Why do you think this is?
5. In what ways does Jesus reveal the glory of God?
6. Read John 17:1-5 - what does this tell us about glory, the cross and suffering?
7. Do you agree with NT Wright's statement: we become like what we worship and behold. When you gaze in awe, admiration and wonder at something or someone, you begin to take on something of the character of the object of your worship?



## Living it out

Questions for reflection:

1. How can you display God's glory in your everyday normal place this week?
2. Chose one person from your everyday normal place who does not know Jesus and pray that God the 'eyes of their heart may be enlightened' so that they may see God's glory and for an opportunity to share Jesus with them?
3. Take time to wait on the Lord asking Him to fill you with His Spirit afresh.

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Use the below space to write you own prayer of response