

INTRODUCTION
TO
KEYS
CLASS 8

God had said, "I will
be your God,
you will be my people,
I will dwell in the
midst of you."

TABERNACLE INSTRUCTIONS (EXODUS 25-31)

Golden Calf Incident
Now when the people
saw that Moses delayed
to come down from the
mountain, the people
assembled about Aaron
and said to him, "Come,
make us a god who will
go before us...Aaron said
to them, "Tear off the
gold earrings which are
in [your] ears, and bring
them to me." Then all the
people tore off the gold
rings...and brought them
to Aaron. He took this
from their hand, and
fashioned it...and made it
into a golden calf; and
they said, "This is your
god, O Israel, who
brought you up from the
land of Egypt." ...the next
day they rose early and
offered burnt offerings,
and brought peace
offerings; and the people
sat down to eat and to
drink, and rose up to
play.

The Lord's reaction: I
have seen this people.
Now then let Me alone,
that My anger may burn
against them and that I
may destroy them...

[After Moses prays for his
people, the Lord says], "[I
am] compassionate and
gracious, slow to anger, and
abounding in
lovingkindness and truth;
who keeps lovingkindness
for thousands, who forgives
iniquity, transgression, and
sin..."

The Lord forgives them!

TABERNACLE INSTRUCTIONS RESUME (AS THOUGH NOTHING HAS HAPPENED) (EXODUS 35-40)

Samuel, a Prophet Like Jesus

1 Samuel 2:26; 3:1-19

2:26 Now the boy Samuel was growing in stature and in favor both with Yahweh and with men.

3:1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to Yahweh before Eli....and Samuel was lying down in the temple of Yahweh...4Yahweh called Samuel; and Samuel said, "Here I am." 5 Then he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call, lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6 Yahweh called yet again, "Samuel!" So Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he answered, "I did not call, my son, lie down again." ...8 So Yahweh called Samuel again for the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli discerned that Yahweh was calling the boy. 9 And Eli said to Samuel, "Go lie down, and it shall be if He calls you, that you shall say, 'Speak, Yahweh, for Your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Then Yahweh came and stood and called as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for Your servant is listening."
[The boy Samuel listens to the message from God which he then relays to Eli].

19 Thus Samuel grew and Yahweh was with him...

Luke 2:40-52

40 The Child Jesus continued to grow and become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the grace/favor of God was upon Him.

41 Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when He became twelve, they went up there according to the custom of the Feast; 43 and as they were returning, after spending the full number of days, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. But His parents were unaware of it, 44 but supposed Him to be in the caravan, and went a day's journey; and they began seeking Him among their relatives and acquaintances. 45 When they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem seeking Him.

46 Then, after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers.

48 When they saw Him, they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You treated us this way? Behold, Your father and I have been anxiously seeking You." 49 And He said to them, "Why is it that you were seeking Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"

...52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.