Exod 12:36-42

36 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians. 37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children. 38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. …

40 Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. 41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt. 42 It is a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

		12:1-28	12:29-42	12:43-50	12:51	13:1-16	(13:17ff)
Legislation	The Lord's Instructions to Moses	:1-20 • :1-13 **Passover** • :14-20 **Unleavened Bread**		:43-49 **Passover**		:1-2 **Firstborn**	
	Moses' Repetition to the People	:21-27a **Passover**				:3-16 • :3-10 **Unleavened Bread** • :11-16 **Firstborn**	
	People's Response	:27b-28		:50			
History			• :29-39 Detail • :40-42 Summary		:51		(13:17ff)

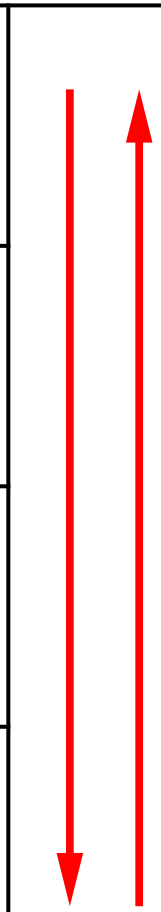
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For Discussion

- What broader mission for Israel does the generosity of the Egyptians and the presence of the mixed multitude anticipate?
- How does Isaiah's "servant of the Lord" draw on the change in Israel's status at the Exodus?
- Who is Isaiah's "servant of the Lord"?
- Reconcile Exod 12:40 (430 years) with Gen 15:13 (400 years).
- When during the course of Israel's time in Egypt do they constitute "hosts" ("armies")?
- How does the condition on the use of the title anticipate Paul's instructions to NT believers?
- Who is doing the observing (watching) in Exod 12:42?

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12:33-39 Leaving Egypt

:33 And the Egyptians were **urgent** upon the people, that they might send them out of the land **in haste**; for they said, We be all dead men.		:39b because they were **thrust out** of Egypt, and **could not tarry**, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.
:34 And the people took their dough **before it was leavened**, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.		:39a And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, **for it was not leavened;**
:35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians **jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment:**		:38b and **flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.**
:36 And the LORD **gave the people favour** in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.		:38a And **a mixed multitude went up also with them;**
:37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.		

Exo 11:1 Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, **he shall surely thrust you out** hence altogether.

Exo 9:20 He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses: 21 And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

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God's Servant as a Light to the Nations

Israel as God's Servant

Isa 41:8 But thou, **Israel, art my servant**, **Jacob** whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.

Isa 44:1 Yet now hear, **O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen**:

Isa 49:3 And said unto me, Thou art **my servant, O Israel**, in whom I will be glorified.

Servant as Light to Unbelievers

Isa 42:1 Behold **my servant**, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall **bring forth judgment to the Gentiles**. … 6 I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, **for a light of the Gentiles**;

Isa 49:6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be **my servant** to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for **a light to the Gentiles**, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

Applied to the Lord Jesus …

Luk 2:28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, 29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: 30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, 31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; 32 **A light to lighten the Gentiles**, and the glory of thy people Israel.

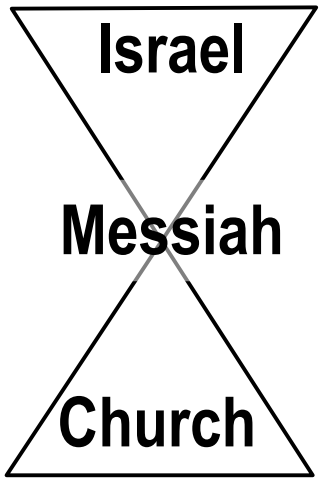
… and to Believers

Mat 5:14 Ye are the **light of the world**. … 16 **Let your light so shine before men**, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Act 13:46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. 47 For **so hath the Lord commanded us,** saying, **I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles**, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

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The Servant Hourglass in Isaiah



	41:8-13	42:1-7	42:19	43:10	43:22-44:5	44:21-23	44:26	48:20	49:1-13	50:4-9	50:10	52:13-53:12
Israel	x		x		x	x	x	x	x			
Messiah	x	x		x					x	x	x	x
Church		x							x	x		x

"Servant" is Mostly **Israel**

"Servant" is Mostly **Messiah**

In ch. 58-66

- "Servant" becomes "Servants"
- Messianic prophecies emphasize **Deity**

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Leaving Egypt

Exo 12:37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

Features to note:

- Line of lakes from Gulf of Suez to Mediterranean
- All activity so far is west of this line
- “Way of the land of the Philistines,” 13:17 “God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt:”
- Eventually they cross the “Red Sea” and stay east of the line.



J. Hoffmeier, *Ancient Israel in Sinai*, Oxford, 2005, Figure 1

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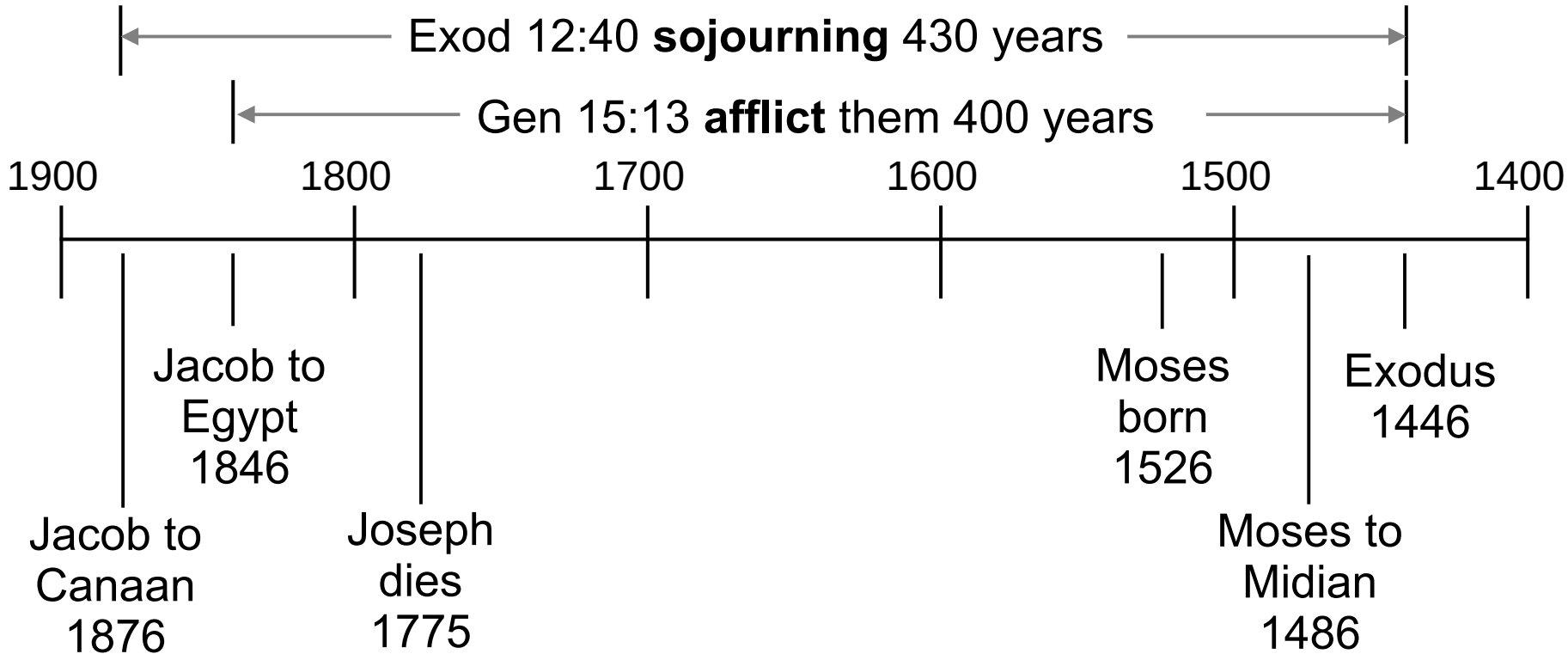
12:40 Duration of the Captivity

Exo 12:40 Now the **sojourning** of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

Gen 15:13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall **afflict** them **four hundred** years; [Acts 7:6]

Gal 3:17 … the **covenant**, that was **confirmed** before of God in Christ, the law, which was **four hundred and thirty** years after, cannot disannul, …

Gen 35:9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padanaram, and **blessed** him. … 11 And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be **fruitful and multiply**; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins; 12 And the **land** which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.



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41 the hosts of the Lord

Exo 12:41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the **hosts** (צבא *tsaba* H6635) of the LORD **went out** from the land of Egypt.

Exo 6:26 These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, **Bring out** the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their **armies**.

Exo 7:4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and **bring forth** mine **armies**, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

Exo 12:17 And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I **brought** your **armies** **out** of the land of Egypt: …

Exo 12:51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did **bring** the children of Israel **out** of the land of Egypt by their **armies**.

Exo 1:10 Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land.

Rom 13:1 Let every soul **be subject unto the higher powers**. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. 2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

Tit 3:1 Put them in mind to **be subject to principalities and powers**, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, **we do not war after the flesh**: 4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

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42 a night of watching

Exo 12:42 It is **a night to be much observed unto the LORD** for bringing them out from the land of Egypt:
this is **that night** of the LORD **to be observed of all the children of Israel** in their generations.

ESV: It was a **night of watching by the LORD**, to bring them out of the land of Egypt;
so this same night is **a night of watching** kept to the LORD **by all the people of Israel** throughout their generations.

KJV Observed, ESV Watching:

שִׁמֻּרִים *shemurim* H8107

from שמר *shamar* H8104: To watch, guard, keep, protect

Psa 121:1 A Song of degrees.
I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
2 My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that **keepeth** thee will not slumber.
4 Behold, he that **keepeth** Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5 The LORD is thy **keeper**: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.
6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall **preserve** thee from all evil: he shall **preserve** thy soul.
8 The LORD shall **preserve** thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

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