

# Sermon Study Guide



## Let God Lead

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### Reflect

As Year 2020 is coming to an end and before 2021 begins, how would you answer these two reflective questions: Where is God? What is God doing in my life?

### Read and Discuss

#### Scripture

Exodus 40:34-38

#### Discussion Questions

1. Exodus 25-40 gives an account of God's instruction to Moses to set up a structure called a Tabernacle, a portable tent where God would meet with His people. Why was it important to God to be with His people after they lived in Egypt for a long time (ch. 25:8, 29:45-46)? How did the Israelites know God personally and intimately? Why would you say that you have a close relationship with God?
2. The Israelites' journey out of Egypt gives us two important questions to ponder, to which our answers would greatly impact how we live. Read Exodus 40:34-38.
  - a. **Question #1: Where is God?** What is the significance of the cloud that covered the tabernacle of meeting? When else did they see this cloud? What was God telling His people through the presence of the cloud?  
  
Read James 4:8. Do you want to be near God? How does a person have a personal relationship with God? Why do a lot of people hesitate to give or surrender their lives to God? How do you think people "survive" or go on with life without God in their lives? Share the blessings of knowing that God is here and that He is near.
  - b. **Question #2: What is God doing in your life?** How did the cloud lead the Israelites in

their journeys? Did they go on in their journeys expecting the cloud (God) to follow them? Did they bring with them the Tabernacle so that they could take God with them? What was the exact role of God in their journeys?

Read Psalm 32:8-9. Just like in the message of Exodus 40, what is God's message to you in this passage in Psalm? How does God lead you in your life? Is a physical "tabernacle" necessary to see God's glory so that you can believe that He can lead you in life? Why or why not? How are you 100% assured that you have the very presence of God living in you?

### Respond

#### In Walk:

*Lead me Lord;*

*Lead me by the hand and help me face the rising sun.*

*Comfort me through all the pain that life may bring.*

*There's no other hope that I can lean upon.*

*Lead me Lord; lead me all my life.*

Is the message of this song what you want in your journey called life? As 2020 comes to an end, what can you do to draw yourself nearer to God?

**In Prayer:** Heavenly Father, I really do not know what I would do in my life without You. Thank You for the promise that You are near and that You are here with me. Thank You that You have given me Your Word to instruct me and to guide me in this life's journey. May I be sensitive to Your voice and follow Your leading. In Jesus' Name. Amen.