

Jesus and the OT

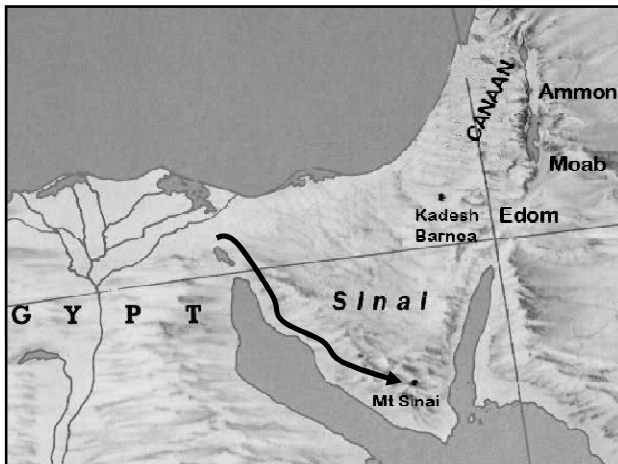
“And *beginning with Moses* and with all the prophets, He (Jesus) explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.” – Luke 24:27

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“...These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the *Law of Moses* and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” – Luke 24:44

Gleanings from the Pentateuch

The Pillar of Cloud (Numbers 9:15-23)



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Numbers 9:15-23

“Now on the day that the tabernacle was erected the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the testimony, and in the evening it was like the appearance of fire over the tabernacle until morning.

So it was continuously; the cloud would cover it by day, and the appearance of fire by night...”

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Significance

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- Ex. 13:21-22, 14:19 – the cloud is “Yahweh” and “the angel of God” (cf. Ex 23:23 – “My angel”)
- Ex. 33-34 – the cloud spoke with Moses outside the camp; the Lord (in the cloud) revealed His “glory” to Moses
- Ex 40:34-38 – the cloud covered the tabernacle

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- The cloud is the visible manifestation of God's glory in the midst of His people
- The cloud is the visible reminder of God's gracious and faithful presence with His people

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Fulfillment

➤ ***The incarnation of Jesus (John 1:14-18)***

- the dwelling of God with His people in the form of the cloud pointed to the greater dwelling of God as a man in the person of His Son
- Through the incarnation, Jesus is the greatest revelation of God and realization of the grace/truth of God

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Application

1. God's continued presence with His people
 - This is true of us – *"I am with you always, even to the end of the age"*
 - His presence with us is through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit

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Application

2. God's sovereign leading of His people
 - As you follow the Lord, trust that your life is in His hands and He directs your steps
 - Trust that He will lead you ultimately for your greatest good