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¹⁵ On the day that the tabernacle was set up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the testimony. And at evening it was over the tabernacle like the appearance of fire until morning. ¹⁶ So it was always: the cloud covered it by day and the appearance of fire by night. ¹⁷ And whenever the cloud lifted from over the tent, after that the people of Israel set out, and in the place where the cloud settled down, there the people of Israel camped. ¹⁸ At the command of the LORD the people of Israel set out, and at the command of the LORD they camped. As long as the cloud rested over the tabernacle, they remained in camp.

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¹⁹ Even when the cloud continued over the tabernacle many days, the people of Israel kept the charge of the LORD and did not set out. ²⁰ Sometimes the cloud was a few days over the tabernacle, and according to the command of the LORD they remained in camp; then according to the command of the LORD they set out. ²¹ And sometimes the cloud remained from evening until morning. And when the cloud lifted in the morning, they set out, or if it continued for a day and a night, when the cloud lifted they set out.

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²² Whether it was two days, or a month, or a longer time, that the cloud continued over the tabernacle, abiding there, the people of Israel remained in camp and did not set out, but when it lifted they set out. ²³ At the command of the LORD they camped, and at the command of the LORD they set out. They kept the charge of the LORD, at the command of the LORD by Moses.

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The Israelites Only Moved When God Moved • God's visible presence was in the midst of their camp

- For 40 Years...
 - When God moved, they moved
 - When God didn't move, they didn't move

Move When the Lord Moves!

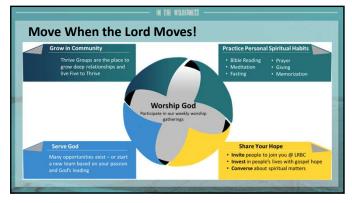
• God's presence now dwells in Christians (1 Cor 6:19)

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- You are God's Tabernacle now!
- Walk in step with God's Spirit (Gal 5:25-26)
- How do you know it's time to move?



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- Move When the Lord Moves! • God's presence now dwells in Christians (1 Cor 6:19)
 - <u>You</u> are God's Tabernacle now!
 - Walk in step with God's Spirit (Gal 5:25-26)
 - Draw near to God (5 to Thrive)
 - Kill sin in your life!
 - Move when you feel God leading you
 - Are you willing? Are you ready???

IN THE WILDERNESS

Otherwise Wait Expectantly!

- We often hate to wait
- If God isn't moving, don't run ahead of Him!
- Learn to wait well
 - Draw nearer to God; learn to hear Him better
 - Serve Him where you are
 - Wait until He makes it clear it's time to act

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