

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary
Week #2 Questions -The New Ark Chapter 3
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- 1. Compare/contrast Jesus as the new Moses, who has come to inaugurate a new exodus (pp. 42-43).*
- 2. God gave the Israelites specific instruction (Exodus) in building the sanctuary- the place God would dwell. What are 5 important features of the Ark of the Covenant placed within the Tabernacle (pp. 45-47)?*
- 3. In Jesus's time, what two important features were missing from the Jerusalem temple? What is the significance of this? (pp. 53-54)*
- 4. Although myths abound about the fate of the Ark of the Covenant, Jewish scripture actually relates where the Ark was hidden, and who placed it there. Where is this in the Bible? What is the Scriptural tradition (pp.51-52)?*
- 5. What distinct parallels does St. Luke use between Old Testament scriptures and the Annunciation and Visitation stories, to reveal Mary as the New Ark (pp. 54-60)?*
- 6. How does Revelation 11:19-12:2 link Mary and the Ark of the Covenant (pp. 60-62)?*
- 7. Compare the 3 "contents" of the Ark of the Covenant, with Mary as the "New Ark" (pp. 63-65).*
- 8. How does Mary as the New Ark of the Covenant point to the dogma of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven? Which Pope eventually defined the dogma?*