

EXODUS

Chapters 20-40

Mt Sinai – Law & Organisation

General Aim in these Bible Studies

To present the “big picture” about:

- **GOD**

- His existence (as Father, Son and Holy Spirit) – and His glory
- His strategy for mankind (creation, redemption, restoration), based on:
 - His Vision (eternal glory restored for mankind – fully manifested, shared and honoured)
 - His Mission (eternal life, reconciliation and transformation through the Cross)
 - His Values (eternal values and moral character to prevail in a Kingdom culture)

- **MANKIND**

- **THE WAY**

- God’s way (as expressed above) - as the only way
- Our way - the importance to obediently align our strategies with His

- **THE TRUTH**

- Right and wrong thinking about everything (who, what, where, when, how and why)
- That knowledge and application of Biblical truth is essential for sanity, hope & progress
- That our prime role in our life’s journey is to give God glory in worship and service

- **THE LIFE**

- To secure and experience victory over sin and death, only through the Cross
- To secure and experience blessing and transformation – from glory to glory
- To learn how to stand strong in a sin-sick world that has lost its way and headed for doom

Presentation Structure - The 6 P's

1.PLOT

2.PERIOD

3.PLACES

4.PEOPLE

5.PLAY

6.PRINCIPLES

1. PLOT

THE COVENANT AT SINAI (Chapters 20-31)

The Ten Commandments ([Exodus 20](#))

Social laws ([Exodus 21-23](#))

Israel again accepts the covenant ([Exodus 24](#))

Laws of worship ([Exodus 25-31](#))

THE COVENANT BROKEN AND RENEWED (Chapters 32-34)

The golden calf ([Exodus 32](#))

Moses and the glory of God ([Exodus 33](#))

The covenant renewed ([Exodus 34](#))

THE TABERNACLE (Chapters 35-40)

Materials ([Exodus 35](#))

Craftsmen and furnishings ([Exodus 36-38](#))

Priestly garments ([Exodus 39](#))

Dedication ([Exodus 40](#))

2. PERIOD


TIMELINE

4104 BC	Creation
2448 BC	The Flood
2093 BC	Call of Abraham (355 years after Flood)
1917 BC	Birth of Joseph
1898 BC	Joseph to Egypt (Egypt only 550 years old)
1876 BC	Jacob & family to Egypt
1824 BC	Death of Joseph
1526 BC	Birth of Moses
1446 BC	The Exodus (80 years after Moses born)

	Date	Month	Stop No.	Place	Day No.	Activity	Moses Away	Pentecost	Sabbath	Exo
Sat	15th	Iyyar	9	Wilderness of Sin	31	Arrive 15th day of 2nd month (Ex 16:1). This must be 31 days. Murmuring. Glory. Quails. Next day manna		Day 28	Sabbath promised (Exo 16:25)	Exo 16:1
Sun	16th	Iyyar		Slide 9	32	camped at Sin, 1st Manna, Day 1		Day 29	First Manna	Exo 16:27
Mon	17th	Iyyar			33	camped at Sin, day 2		Day 30		
Tue	18th	Iyyar			34	camped at Sin, day 3		Day 31		
Wed	19th	Iyyar			35	camped at Sin, day 4		Day 32		
Thu	20th	Iyyar			36	camped at Sin, day 5		Day 33		
Fri	21st	Iyyar			37	camped at Sin, day 6 - collect twice as much manna		Day 34		
Sat	22nd	Iyyar			38	camped at Sin, day 7 - rest day. Aaron told to collect a pot of manna		Day 35	1st Sabbath	
Sun	23rd	Iyyar	10	Dophkah	39	Leave morning from Wilderness of Sin, arrive Dophkah		Day 36		
Mon	24th	Iyyar	11	Alush	40			Day 37		
Tue	25th	Iyyar			41			Day 38		
Wed	26th	Iyyar	12	Rephidim (Meribah)	42	Arrive in evening, Moses brings water from Rock		Day 39		Exo 17:1-9, 18:27
Thu	27th	Iyyar			43	Amalek attacks. later on is Jethro's counsel		Day 40		
Fri	28th	Iyyar			44	THIS PRESENTATION STARTS HERE		Day 41		
Sat	1st	Sivan	13	Wilderness of Sinai	45	Rested on second Sabbath day 42 of Pentecost: 3RD MONTH		Day 42	2nd Sabbath	Exo 19:1
Sun	2nd	Sivan		Slide 10	46			Day 43		
Mon	3rd	Sivan			47			Day 44		
Tue	4th	Sivan			48			Day 45		
Wed	5th	Sivan			49			Day 46		
Thu	6th	Sivan			50			Day 47		
Fri	7th	Sivan			51			Day 48		
Sat	8th	Sivan			52	day 49 of Pentecost, 7th Sabbath from Goshen, 3rd real sabbath		Day 49	3rd Sabbath	
Sun	9th	Sivan			53	Moses Ascends Mt. Sinai and returns with covenant role for Israel based on law to obey (Ex 19:3-6)	1st time	Day 50		
Mon	10th	Sivan			54	Moses ascends Mt. Sinai 2nd time. God says be ready on the third day:	2nd time			Exo 19:11
Tue	11th	Sivan			55					
Wed	12th	Sivan			56	God dawns from Seir and descends on Mt. Sinai on the morning of the 3rd day.				Exo 19:16
Thu	13th	Sivan			57					Exo 20:1
										Exo 24:1
Fri	14th	Sivan			58					Exo 24:12
Sat	14th	Sivan			59				4th Sabbath	
Sun	15th	Sivan			60	Moses on Mt. Sinai - 40 days (to receive the 10 Commandments and the plan for the tabernacle)	3rd time. Day 1			Ex 24:18
Mon	16th	Sivan			61		Day 2			

LAST PRESENTATION COVERED

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		41	
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THIS PRESENTATION COVERS WILDERNESS AT SINAI

44			Day 41	
45	Rested on second Sabbath day 42 of Pentecost: 3RD MONTH		Day 42	2nd Sabbath
46			Day 43	
47			Day 44	
48			Day 45	
49			Day 46	
50			Day 47	
51			Day 48	
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3. PLACES

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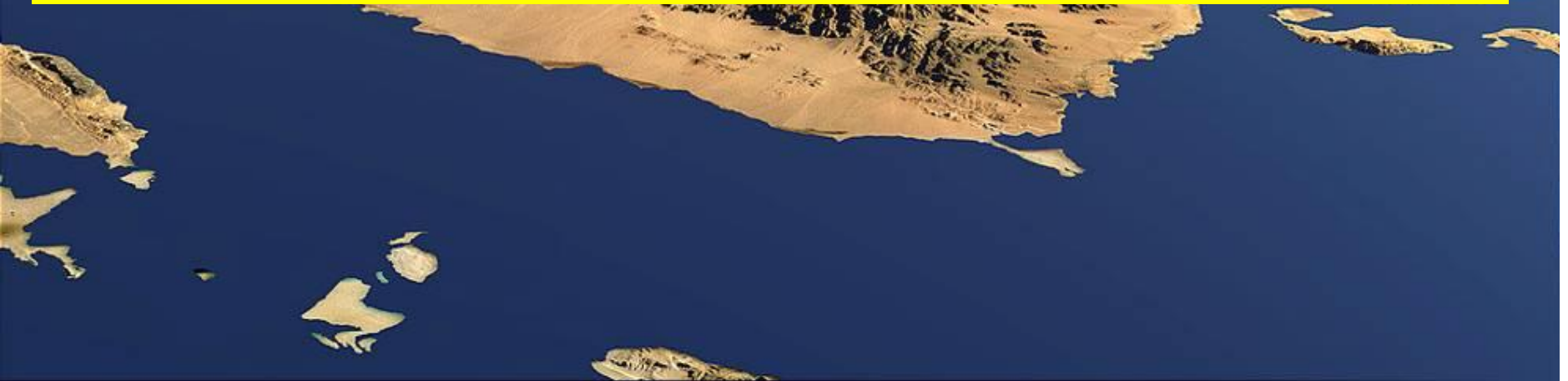
A satellite map showing the Red Sea and surrounding landmasses. The sea is a deep blue, and the land is a mix of brown and green. The Nile River is visible on the left side of the image. The text "THE EXODUS ROUTE - AS RESEARCHED BY OUR BROTHER TREVOR HARRIS" is overlaid on a yellow rectangular background in the center of the image.

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MY CALCULATIONS



Stop No.	Place	Day No.	Km Travel	Cum Km	Travel Days	Camp Days
1	Rameses	2				
2	Succoth	5	65	65	3	1
3	Etham	9	58	123	3	1
4	Migdol	11	20	143	1	1
5	Red Sea	12	12	155	1	
6	Marah	19	83	238	3	1
7	Elim	27	193	431	7	1
8	Red Sea	29	21	452	1	1

Elim Campsite



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Exodus 16:1

The children of Israel came to the Wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month (NOTE: 31 days from their start).

Numbers 33:10-15

They moved from Elim and camped by the Red Sea. They moved from the Red Sea and camped in the Wilderness of Sin. They journeyed from the Wilderness of Sin and camped at Dophkah. They departed from Dophkah and camped at Alush. They moved from Alush and camped at Rephidim... They departed from Rephidim and camped in the Wilderness of Sinai.

Mt Sinai Campsite

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8	Red Sea	29	21	452	1	1
9	Wilderness of Sin	31	28	480	1	7
10	Dophkah	39	21	501	1	1
11	Alush	40	17	518	1	1
12	Rephidim (Meribah)	42	16	551	1	2
13	Wilderness of Sinai	45	25	576	1	289

Moses Split Rock

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1-13: Total distance 560KM
(AS THE CROW FLIES)

There are 45 days from 14th of month "Nissan" (when they left Egypt), to start of month "Sivan" when they arrive at Mt Sinai

Thus:

- 25 travel days
- 20 camp/dance/fight days

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13. Mt Sinai campsite

Cave

Calf Moses' Altar

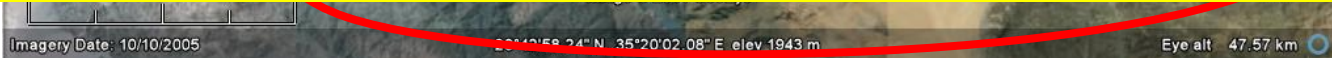
Exo 19:1 **In the third month**, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.



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For they had departed from Rephidim and come to the Wilderness of Sinai and camped in the wilderness. So Israel camped there before the mountain. Exodus 19:2



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RED SEA

Mt. Sinai - Holy Sinai

Mt. Sinai

Mt Horeb & Burning Bush area

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PROPOSED HOLY PRECINCT WITH MT SINAI

4. PEOPLE

MOSES - Key Events in His Life

Rescued from river; raised as royalty ([Exodus 2:3-10](#))

Flees to Midian – **Age 40-80**([Exodus 2:11-15](#))

Called to lead Israel – **Age 80** ([Exodus 3-4](#))

LAST PRESENTATION

The Exodus; crossing Red Sea ([Exodus 12:31-42](#); [Exodus 13:17-14:31](#))

Brings water from rock ([Exodus 17:1-7](#))

Fights the Amalekites

THIS PRESENTATION

Receives law at Sinai ([Exodus 19-31](#))

Supervises building of Tabernacle ([Exodus 36-40](#))

NEXT PRESENTATION

Sends spies into Canaan ([Numbers 13](#))

Announces 40 years of wandering ([Numbers 14:26-39](#))

Forbidden to enter Canaan ([Numbers 20:1-13](#))

Bronze serpent ([Numbers 21:4-9](#))

Farewell address ([Deut. 1-33](#)) – **Age 120**

AARON - Key Events in His Life

Appointed to speak for Moses ([Exodus 7:1](#))

In Egypt

His rod becomes a serpent ([Exodus 7:8-13](#))

At Mt Sinai

THIS PRESENTATION

Appointed high priest ([Exodus 28:1](#))

Makes golden calf ([Exodus 32:2-4](#))

Departure from Mt Sinai (NEXT PRESENTATION)

Speaks against Moses ([Numbers 12](#))

His rod buds ([Numbers 17](#))

Excluded from Promised Land ([Numbers 20:12](#))

Dies at Age 123 ([Numbers 20:27-28](#); [Numbers 33:39](#))

Buried on Mt Hor

Joshua

- Son of Nun, tribe of Ephraim
- a slave in Egypt
- name changed by Moses from "Hoshea" to "Joshua"
- "Joshua" means "Jehovah is Salvation"
- a military commander
- first mention is Exo 17:9 as leader in the battle with the Amalekites
- Moses' assistant and successor
- Had strong faith:
 - **examples in this presentation**
 - **against the Amalekites**
 - **as Moses' assistant**
 - **dealing with sin in the camp**
 - examples in next presentations
 - one of the 12 spies sent into Canaan
 - led the Israelites into the Promised Land near Mt Nebo & Jericho
 - God-led military strategist

OTHER PLAYERS

(apart from God, Moses, Aaron & Joshua)

- 600,000 Israelite men in Egypt (Exo 12:37)
- families of those 600,000 men (say up to another 1m)
- Moses family
 - Sister - Miriam
 - called a prophetess in the Bible
 - watched over Moses in the ark
 - danced after the Red Sea crossing
 - challenged Moses' authority and was judged by God
 - Wife - Zipporah (daughter of Jethro)
 - Sons
 - Gershom (Moses first son, born in Midian – Ex 2:22)
 - Eliezer (Moses second son – born later, by Ex 4:20)
- Jethro (first called Reuel in the Bible) – Moses father-in-law (& management adviser)
- Caleb comes later (first mention is Num 13:6 just before the ten spies incident)

5. PLAY

20-31. THE COVENANT AT SINAI

(Giving of Mosaic Law)

Exodus 20:1-17

- **Spoken by God then written on 2 tablets of stone by Him later when Moses was on the mount for 40 days & nights (Ex 24:12-18)**

1. "Do not worship any other gods besides me."

- God will have no rivals
- rivals include:
 - false religions
 - family
 - money
 - fame
 - anything that usurps his pre-eminent place in our devotion.

2. "Do not make idols of any kind, whether in the shape of birds or animals or fish."

- To make an idol or image of God is to try to bring God under our control.
- Rather, God wants us to submit to and serve him. See [John 4:24](#).

3. "Do not misuse the name of the LORD your God."

- no blasphemy
- no use of God's name in:
 - an empty or insincere way
 - e.g making an oath that we cannot fulfill ([Leviticus 19:12](#)).

4. "Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy."

- imitating God's creation cycle of work and rest
- setting apart one day for God alone to show our faithfulness to him.
- Under the New Covenant, believers:
 - are not obligated to keep the Jewish Sabbath.
 - find in Christ the fulfillment of the Sabbath-rest principle by trusting in God's grace, rather than in human effort, for salvation ([Hebrews 4:3-10](#)).
 - in that sense every day is a sabbath
 - still wise to set aside 1 day of rest and devotion

5. "Honour your father and mother."

- Children must respect their parents.
- Under the law, to curse one's parents was a capital offense ([Leviticus 20:9](#)).
- Honoring them, on the other hand, brought great blessing ([Exodus 20:12](#)).

6. "Do not murder."

- Murder is the willful, premeditated taking of life.
- The law did sanction killing as a defensive or punitive act ([Deut. 20:10-18](#))
- The law prescribed the death penalty for various sins ([Leviticus 20:9-16](#); [Leviticus 24:17, 23](#); [Deut. 13:6-11](#); [Deut. 17:2-7](#)).

7. "Do not commit adultery."

- Like the taking of life or property, adultery violates an exclusive covenantal relationship.
- Marriage is so crucial to the social order that adultery was among those sins for which the law prescribed death ([Leviticus 20:10](#))
- what about homosexuality, lust, pornography, gay marriage?

8. "Do not steal."

- Private property was to be respected.
- To steal from another human is essentially to steal from God, since all things ultimately belong to him ([Leviticus 25:23](#)).

9. **“Do not testify falsely against your neighbour.”**

- To tell a lie, especially as a witness in court when someone's life is at stake, is to despise God, the author of truth.
- Instead of imitating God, the liar imitates Satan, the "father of lies" ([John 8:44](#)) and "accuser" of believers ([Rev. 12:10](#)).

10. **"Do not covet."**

- To covet is to desire for yourself any person or thing that belongs to someone else.

The Ten Commandments

Toward God

- No other Gods
- No idols
- God's name is to be holy
- The Sabbath

Toward Men

- Respect for parents
- No murder
- No adultery
- No stealing
- No false witness
- No coveting

The Ten Commandments

Toward God

Reasons given for each command.

Completely unique constitution. No other society in the ancient world had similar laws.

Toward Men

No reasons needed.

These laws were common to most of the ancient cultures of that day.

"We're afraid of him."

- watching Mt Sinai on fire (referred to in Chapter 19 – last presentation)
- The events on Sinai filled Moses and the Israelites with fear (see [Hebrews 12:18-21](#)).
- Moses assured them that God only wanted to instill in them a healthy fear, to keep them from sin
- the role of awe in worship?

"No idols, and only one altar."

- God had forbidden idols
- But gave instructions for building a simple altar for animal sacrifices.
 - in place of pagan idolatry
 - the people would have a concrete way to express their faith in the one true God.

The verse below refers to any outside altar. Also to altars in the tabernacle/temple.

Exo 20:24 An altar of earth you shall make to Me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen. **In every place where I record My name and cause it to be remembered I will come to you and bless you.**

PLACE IS IMPORTANT !

[Exodus 21:1-11](#)

Fair labor laws.

- God gave detailed laws governing social relationships ([Exodus 21-23](#))
- Most of these are "case" laws, beginning with "if . . ." followed by a specific example.
- "Categorical" laws, by contrast, are more general and are often based on a command to "do" or "do not."
- Though some of these laws may sound unjust to modern ears, they were a great improvement over the customs of the pagan cultures of that day.
- First came laws protecting the rights of both masters and servants ([Exodus 21:1-11](#)). Hebrew servants were to be set free every seventh (Sabbath) year.

Laws concerning violence.

- God's law distinguished between premeditated and unpremeditated murder, with only the former being a capital offense.
- The places to which the unpremeditated murderer could "run" ([Exodus 21:13](#)) were the "cities of refuge" ([Deut. 19:1-13](#)).
- Kidnapping and assaulting one's parent were also capital offenses.
- Punishments were also prescribed for lesser personal injuries.
- "Eye for eye, tooth for tooth" (see [Exodus 21:23-25](#)) was a restraint against escalating retaliation.

Exodus 21:28-36

"Control your animals."

- Owners would be held responsible for the destructive actions of their animals.
- Property owners would be responsible for injuries to animals resulting from their negligence.

Exodus 22:1-15

Crimes against property.

- The law also covered theft, dishonesty, and the careless destruction of property.
- In some cases the penalty was restitution amounting to double the loss.

Do's and don't's, diet and devotion.

- The law covered matters such as sexual relationships, sorcery, idolatry, money lending, bribery, slander, and diet.
- See [Leviticus 11](#) for more detail on dietary laws.
- The Israelites were exhorted not to oppress foreigners, since they themselves had been "foreigners in the land of Egypt" ([Exodus 22:21](#)).

Exodus 23:10-13

"Sow it in the sixth, set it aside in the seventh."

- The law of the Sabbath ([Exodus 20:8-11](#)) was repeated and expanded to include the land:
 - "Let the land rest and lie fallow during the seventh year.
 - Then let the poor among you harvest any volunteer crop that may come up."

[Exodus 23:14-19](#)

"Don't forget the three festivals."

- Three times a year all Israelite males were to appear before the Lord in Jerusalem.
- These were part of the yearly cycle of seven festivals ([Leviticus 23](#)).

Exodus 23:20-33

"I'll send an angel before you."

- God's "angel" would protect the Israelites and show them the way through the wilderness
- while fear and "hornets" (e.g angels, pestilence, disease) would drive out the Canaanites ([Exodus 23:27-28](#)).
- God reminded Israel once again not to make treaties with the Canaanites (which Joshua later forgot to his great cost)
- .
- God said he would drive out the Canaanites "a little at a time" ([Exodus 23:30](#)), so that the land would not be left desolate and become infested by wild animals ([Exodus 23:29](#)).

[Exodus 24:1-8](#)

Again they agree to keep the covenant.

- Moses descended Mount Sinai, read the law to Israel, put it into written form (no tablets of stone yet), and confirmed the covenant by building an altar and sacrificing on it.
- Just as they did before Moses ascended Sinai, the people again agreed to obey the law ([Exodus 19:8](#)).

[Exodus 24:9-18](#)

The glory of God and the God of glory.

- leaders allowed up the mountain to see the glory of God
 - Moses
 - Aaron
 - Nadab and Abihu (Aaron's sons)
 - 70 elders
- But only Moses was allowed to enter the cloud of God's glory.
- Moses stayed in the cloud for 40 days.

Exodus 25:1-9

"Take an offering and build a tabernacle."

- God told Moses to build a "tabernacle," a large tent, as a place for God to dwell among Israel.
- All the material needed for this project was to be provided from the people themselves.

Exodus 25:10-22

The Ark of the Covenant:

"This is where we'll meet."

- The Ark of the Covenant was to be made of acacia wood covered with gold.
- It resembled a cedar chest, about four feet long and two feet high.
- It was to contain:
 - the stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments ("the terms of the covenant," [Exodus 25:16](#)) were written ([Exodus 34:28](#))
 - a pot of manna
 - Aaron's rod
- Its lid, called the mercy seat, was made of solid gold and featured two gold cherubim facing each other.
- The Ark was the most important item in the Tabernacle, for it was where God manifested his presence ([Exodus 25:22](#)).

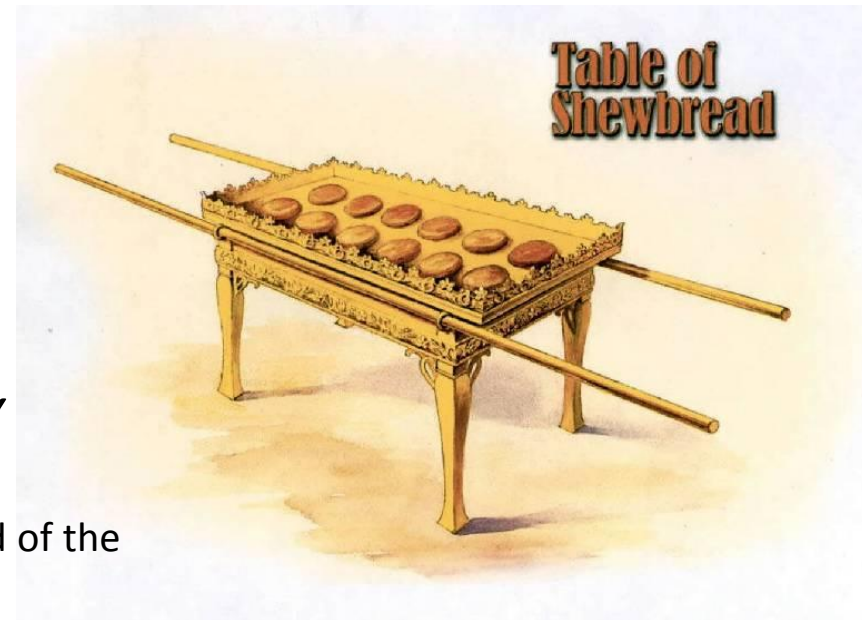


**"There I will meet with you; and from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, I will speak to you about all that I will give you in commandment for the sons of Israel."
(Exodus 25:22)**

Exodus 25:23-30

The holy bread: "God supplies your spiritual food."

- Next came instructions for a table for the "Bread of the Presence."
- There were 12 cakes of this bread ([Leviticus 24:5-9](#)), representing the 12 tribes
- these 12 cakes were showing that God was the source of their spiritual food.



TYPE OF CHRIST	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
GOLDEN TABLE OF SHEWBREAD	BREAD OF LIFE	BREAD	THE WORD	HEAR & DO

[Exodus 25:31-40](#)

The golden lampstand: "God shows the way."

- There was to be a lampstand made of pure gold.
- The lamps, fed with oil, were trimmed every morning and evening and were to burn continually ([Leviticus 24:2-4](#)), as reminders that God was the source of spiritual direction.
- On "pattern" ([Exodus 25:40](#)) and [Rev. 11:15-19](#).



TYPE OF CHRIST	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
GOLDEN CANDLESTICK	LIGHT OF THE WORLD	OIL	HOLY SPIRIT	BE LED BY

[Exodus 26:1-37](#)

The Tabernacle:

Two rooms divided by one curtain.

- to be constructed of gold-covered poles and crossbars, overlaid and surrounded by curtains.
- a veil was to separate the "Holy Place" from the "Most Holy Place" ([Exodus 26:33](#))
- The Most Holy Place only had one item —the Ark of the Covenant.
- The veil represents the sinless humanity of Christ ([Hebrews 10:20](#); [Matthew 27:51](#))

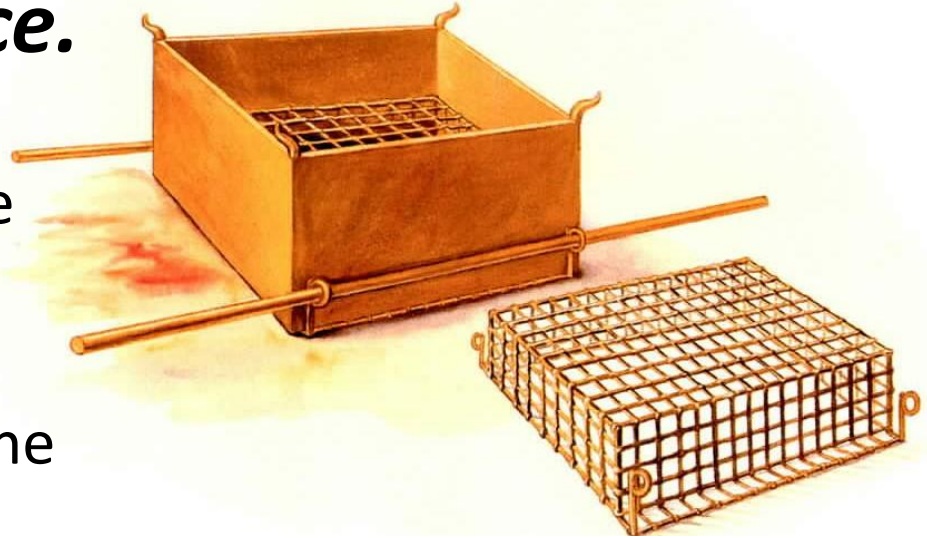


God gave specific instructions not just for the construction but also for the location of each part of and item in the Tabernacle, indicating how important it was to him.

Horns to hold the sacrifice.

- The bronze altar would be the first piece of furniture as one entered the Tabernacle from the east.
- Horns on its four corners held the animal sacrifices.

Brazen Altar

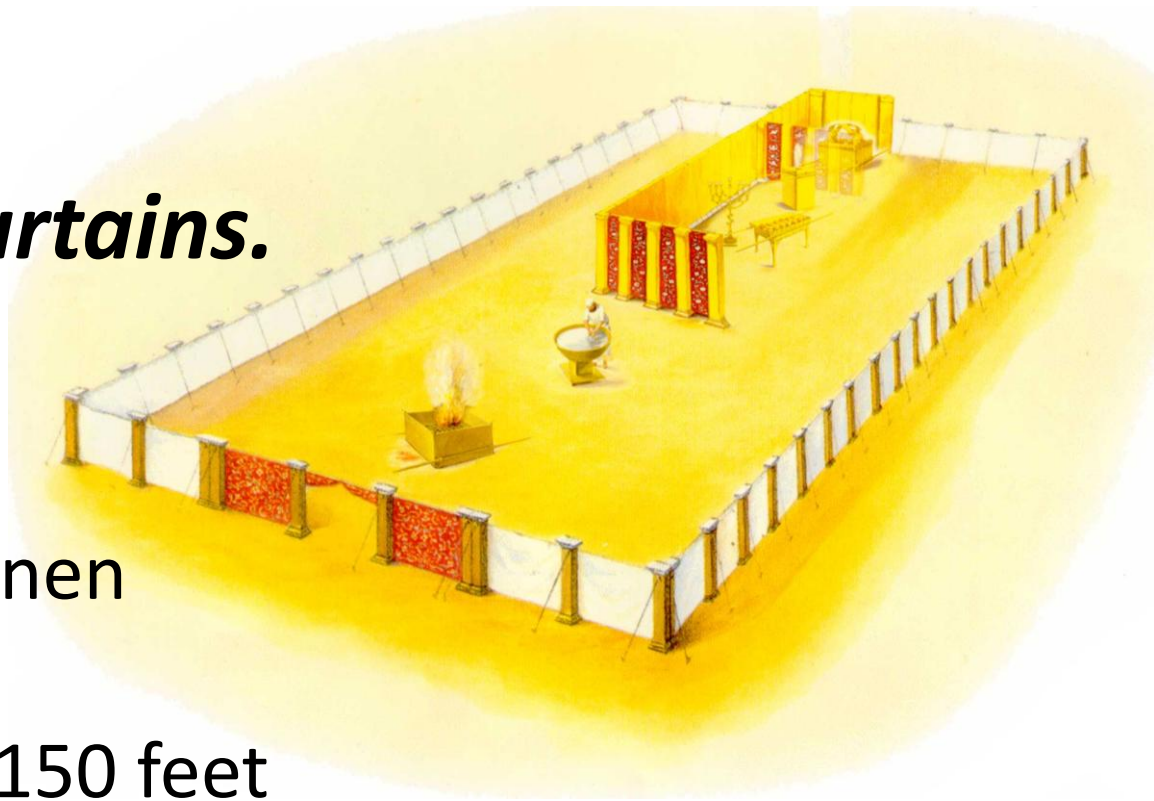


TYPE OF CHRIST	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
BRONZE ALTAR	SUBSTITUTE & SACRIFICE	BLOOD	REDEMPTION	COME TO THE CROSS

Exodus 27:9-21

A courtyard of curtains.

- surrounded the Tabernacle with linen curtains
- 75 feet wide by 150 feet long (like a large suburban block of land)



"Aaron and sons will be your priests."

- Aaron and his sons were to be Israel's priests
- Aaron being the first high priest.
- The entire tribe of Levi would later be appointed to assist the priests ([Numbers 18:1-2](#)).



Exodus 28:2-43 *Garments for the priests.*

Gold plate worn on the
Kohen Gadol's forehead :

קֹדֶשׁ לַיהוָה

Holiness unto YHVH (28:36)
Atone for arrogance attitude

Mitre (turban)
Fine linen
Atone for pride of his
countenance (Psa 10:4)

2 onyx stones, each stone
has grave 6 names of
tribe of Israel vs 9-10

The Breastplate of
Judgement (Choshen)
which 12 precious stones
vs 17- 21

Hidden in the Breastplate
of Judgement contain the
Urim and the Thummim (to
determine YHVH's will) vs
30

Sardius, topz, Carbuncle

Emerald; Sapphire; Diamond

Ligure, Agate; Amethyst

Beryl; Onyx; Jasper

bind the breastplate by
the rings

with a lace of blue,

Urim and Thummim (means "lights" and "perfections") . Placed over
his heart so he could always determine God's will.

Girdle (a sash) is type of believer always ready, waiting, humility in character & willing to serve. Yeshua display John 13:4-10 the washing Talmidim's feet and in Rev 1:13 we see Him in Golden girdle Atone for Sinful heart

The incense of Fragrance full enjoyment of His glory. YHWH's copyright

Fine Linen Tunic Atone for killing

The pants inner clothes atones for sexual Transgression Matthew 5:28

with a lace of blue, may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod

Ephod: - embroidered with blue, purple scarlet and gold (heavenly glory) vs 6 Atone for idolary

Robe of the Ephod Atone for evil speech Colossians 3:8 Techelet

golden Bell & Pomegranates of blue, purple & scarlet vs 33-34 when the priest walk the bell sound in the Holy Place if it does not sound we know he die vs 35 when the bell sound he was alive

Walk in bare foot standing Holy Ground



Consecrating the priests: Water, oil, blood, and bread.

- God gave detailed instructions for consecrating Aaron and his sons for their ministry:
- The ceremony should include:
 - washing with water
 - anointing with oil
 - sprinkling with animal blood
 - an offering of bread to be "lifted up as a special gift to the LORD" (sometimes translated "wave offering") ([Exodus 29:23-25](#)).
- [Leviticus 8](#) records the actual ceremony in which Aaron and his sons were consecrated.
- Aromas of offerings are often called pleasing to the Lord ([Exodus 29:18, 25, 41](#); see [Genesis 8:21](#); [2 Cor. 2:15-16](#); [Ephes. 5:2](#); [Phil. 4:18](#)).

Details of priestly dress and duties.

- God then gave specific instructions regarding the clothing of priests and the sacrifices they were to perform.
- While God was giving instructions about the consecration and duties of Aaron as high priest, Aaron was fashioning an idol for the Israelites in the shape of a golden calf ([Exodus 32:1-5](#)).

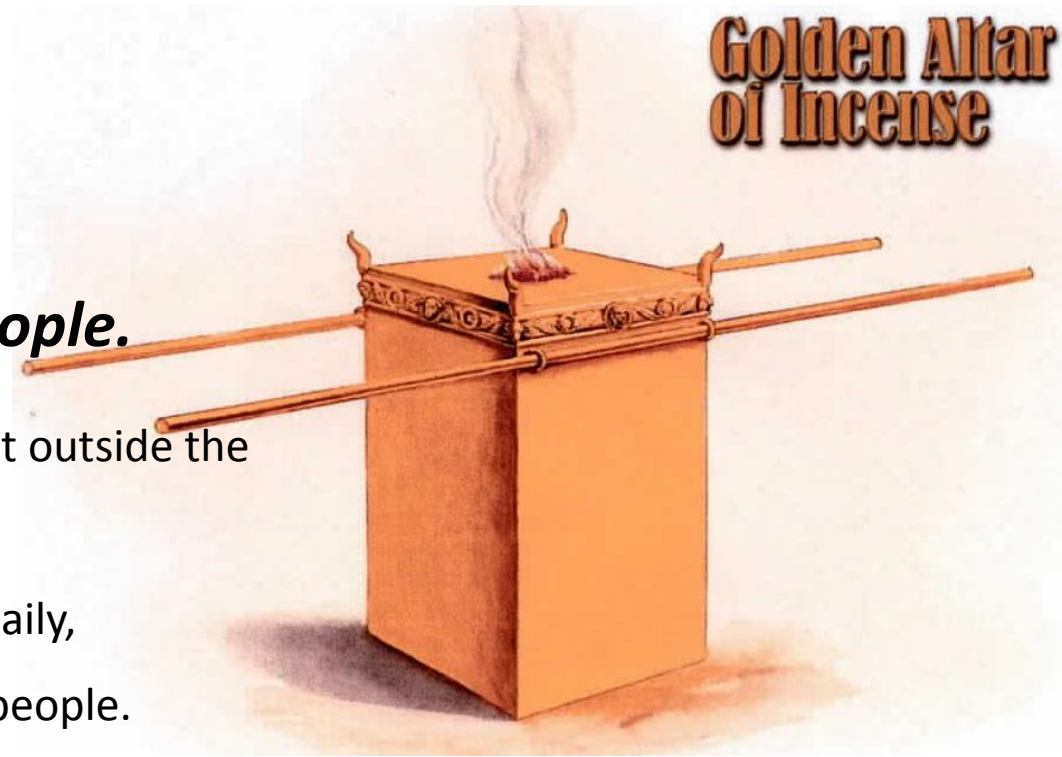
"Do this for me, and I'll dwell with you."

- God reminded Moses that the Tabernacle and all the ceremonies related to it were symbolic of his wish to dwell among his people.
- When John would later describe Christ's coming to "[live] here on earth among us" ([John 1:14](#)), he would use a Greek word suggesting that Christ literally "pitched his tent" on earth.

Exodus 30:1-10

An altar of incense - for the prayers of his people.

- The altar of incense would be just outside the Most Holy Place.
- Incense would be burned on it daily, symbolizing the prayers of God's people.
- The altar would also be used in the annual offering of atonement ([Exodus 30:10](#); [Leviticus 16:12-13](#)).



**Golden Altar
of Incense**

TYPE OF CHRIST	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
GOLDEN ALTAR OF INCENSE	INTERCESSOR & ADVOCATE	INCENSE	PRAYER & WORSHIP	PRAYER & WORSHIP

Exodus 30:11-16

"A half-shekel for your life."

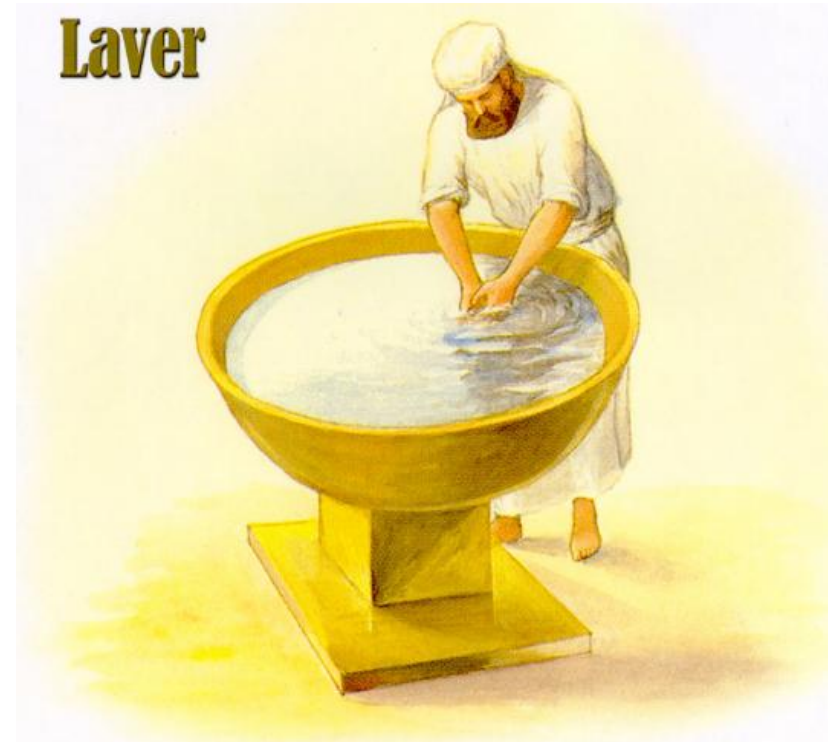
- All male Israelites 20 and older were to give a half-shekel for maintenance of the Tabernacle.
- It was a token amount, because its true purpose was "to make atonement for yourselves."
- It was the same for rich and poor, showing that everyone needed atonement ([Exodus 38:25-28](#)).

Exodus 30:17-21

The bronze washbasin:

"Wash before you worship."

- A bronze washbasin would provide water for the priests to wash their hands and feet before performing their duties.
- The penalty for not washing was death.
- Cleanliness and purification are emphasized throughout Exodus-Deuteronomy.



TYPE OF CHRIST	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
BRASS LAVER	CLEANSING & REGENERATION	WATER	SANCTIFICATION	REPENT, BELIEVE, BE BAPTISED

Exodus 30:22-38

Oil and incense for worship only.

God gave detailed instructions for making a special blend of oil and incense that was never to be used for anything besides the Tabernacle worship.

[Exodus 31:1-11](#)

Architects appointed and anointed.

- God designated that Bezalel and Oholiab should lead the building of the Tabernacle ([Exodus 35:30-36:2](#)).
- He filled them "with the Spirit of God, giving [them] great wisdom, intelligence, and skill in all kinds of crafts" (see [1 Samuel 9:27-10:8](#)).

Exodus 31:12-17

Death to those who desecrate his day.

- God ended his instructions to Moses on Mount Sinai by reminding him to keep the Sabbath.
- Death was the punishment for profaning it.

Exodus 31:18

The tablets of stone.

Having given his law, God gave Moses two tablets of stone containing the Ten Commandments (and [Exodus 24:12](#)).



THE COVENANT BROKEN AND RENEWED

32. Golden Calf (Stone tablets broken)

[Exodus 32:1-14](#)

The golden calf: Idolatry and immorality.

- Concluding that Moses would never come down from the mountain, the people had asked Aaron for another god to lead them.
- Aaron fashioned a golden calf, and the Israelites worshiped it.
- "After this, they celebrated with feasting and drinking, and indulged themselves in pagan revelry" ([Exodus 32:6](#)).



- Because they worshipped the golden calf, God was ready to destroy the whole nation and start over with just Moses.
- Moses begged God to forgive the people, so that other nations would not accuse him of injustice and so that the promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob would not be broken.
- God promised not to destroy them.

[Exodus 32:15-20](#)

He breaks the tablets and burns the calf.

- When Moses came down from the mountain and saw the idolatry and immorality firsthand, he became enraged and threw down the stone tablets, breaking them.
- He melted down the golden calf, ground it to powder, mixed the powder with water, and made the people drink it.



Exodus 32:21-24

The pitiful excuse of the priest.

- Confronted by Moses, Aaron refused to accept responsibility for making the golden calf.
- Even while God was declaring him the spiritual leader of Israel ([Exodus 28:1](#)), Aaron had been giving in to peer pressure and leading the nation into sin.

Aaron's Weaknesses:

1. Did not behave as a leader - gave in to the crowd (peer-group pressure)
2. Did not set a good example for his sons
3. Did not instruct his sons in absolute obedience to the Lord, resulting in his sons Nadab and Abihu offering "unauthorized fire" before God, who struck both men dead (sins of the father?)
4. Joined Miriam in criticizing Moses' marriage to a Cushite woman.
5. Shared in Moses' disobedience to God at Meribah, when the people demanded water, and thus was forbidden to enter the promised land.

Exodus 32:25-29

Who is on the Lord's side? The Levites!

- Moses realizes how wicked the people had become
- He called for all "who are on the LORD's side" to come to him.
- The sons of Levi responded
- Moses ordered them to purge the camp of those who had taken part in the idolatry.

Three thousand put to death at the hands of the Levites

HYMN

Who is on the Lord's side?
Who will serve the King?
Who will be His helpers,
Other lives to bring?
Who will leave the world's
side?
Who will face the foe?
Who is on the Lord's side?
Who for Him will go?
By Thy grand redemption,
By Thy grace divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are Thine.

Three thousand become spiritually alive at the preaching of the gospel (Acts 2)

33. On to Canaan (Moses sees God)

"Forgive them or forsake me!"

- Once again Moses asked God to forgive Israel or "blot me out of the record you are keeping" ([Exodus 32:32](#)).
- God said that he himself could no longer go with the people, because if he did he would have to punish them.
- Instead, he would send an angel to guide them ([Exodus 23:20](#)).
- Moses pitched his tent far from the camp and met with God.
- God promised to continue leading Israel.
- To reassure Moses, God allowed him another glimpse of his glory ([Exodus 33:20-23](#); see [Isaiah 6:1-5](#)).
- Joshua continued to serve as Moses' second-in-command and was present with him in the tent ([Exodus 33:11](#)).

34. Second Tablets of Stone

[Exodus 34:1-9](#)

New tablets for the Ten Commandments.

- Moses ascended Mount Sinai again after cutting out 2 new stone tablets for God to write on, to replace those he had broken.
- God appeared to him, and he bowed and worshiped, begging him once more to continue leading Israel.
- As is true throughout Scripture, the attributes of God described in [Exodus 34:6-7](#) include a balance of compassion and justice.
- On "punishing the children for the sins of their parents" ([Exodus 20:5](#); [Exodus 34:7](#)), [Ezekiel 18:1-18](#).

[Exodus 34:10-17](#)

The covenant renewed.

- God told Moses he would renew his covenant with Israel.
- But Israel would have to do its part by avoiding the practices of the Canaanites and by keeping the law.

Exodus 34:18-26

Again, "Don't forget the festivals."

God reminded Moses once again of the importance of the regular festival days he had instituted for Israel.

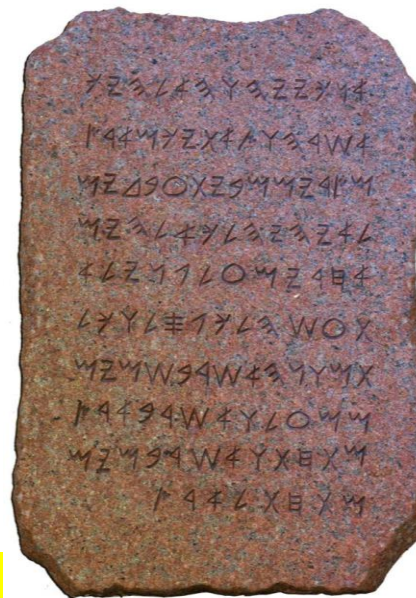
Exodus 34:27-28

Two new stones for the Ten Commandments.

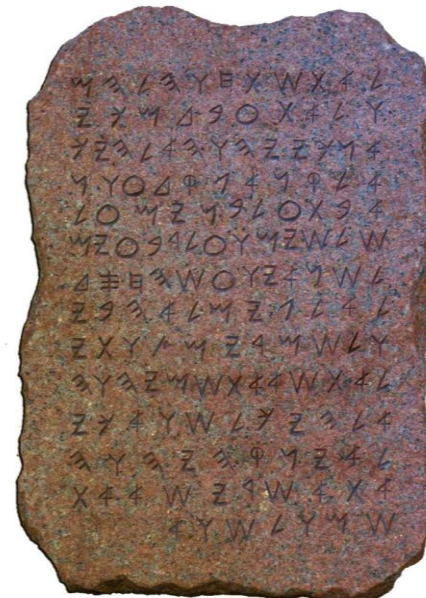
Ten Commandments written by God on the new stone tablets

MODERN REPRESENTATION OF 2 TABLETS

- a recreation using granite stone from Mt Sinai (located in Midian—Saudi Arabia)
- authentic type of writing (Paleo-Hebrew of Phoenician origin)
- stones crafted based on descriptions oldest extant Hebrew Scriptural texts
- Jewish tradition is that the letters were fully bored through the granite (text on both sides)

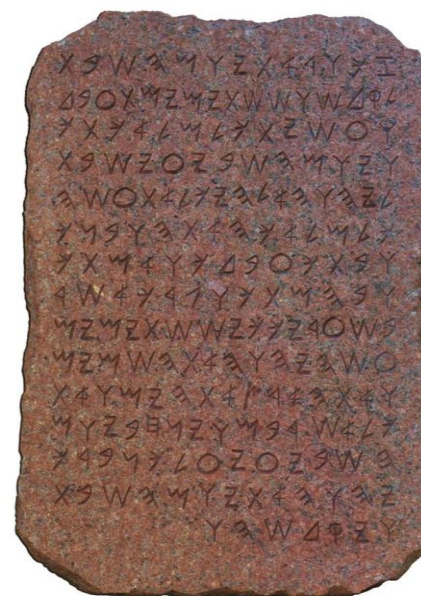


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Tablet 1

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Tablet 2

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Exodus 34:29-35

The glow of God on his face.

- Moses descends the mountain
- his face glowed from speaking with God
- the people were afraid of him.
- Moses covered his face with a veil
- Moses reported all that God had told him



HOW PAUL RE-TELLS THE STORY IN 2ND CORINTHIANS

2Co 3:7 But if the ministration of death, written *and engraven in stones*, was glorious, so that the **children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance**; which glory was to be done away:

2Co 3:8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

2Co 3:9 For if the **ministration of condemnation be glory**, much more doth the **ministration of righteousness exceed in glory**.

2Co 3:10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth.

2Co 3:11 For if that which is done away was glorious, much more that which remaineth is glorious.

2Co 3:12 Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech:

2Co 3:13 And not as **Moses, which put a vail over his face**, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished:

2Co 3:14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which **vail is done away in Christ**.

2Co 3:15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, **the vail is upon their heart**.

2Co 3:16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, **the vail shall be taken away**.

2Co 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are **changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord**.

35-39. Tabernacle Parts Constructed

[Exodus 35:1-3](#)

The Sabbath stressed again.

- Moses emphasized once more the importance of the Sabbath.
- Anyone found working on the Sabbath would be put to death.

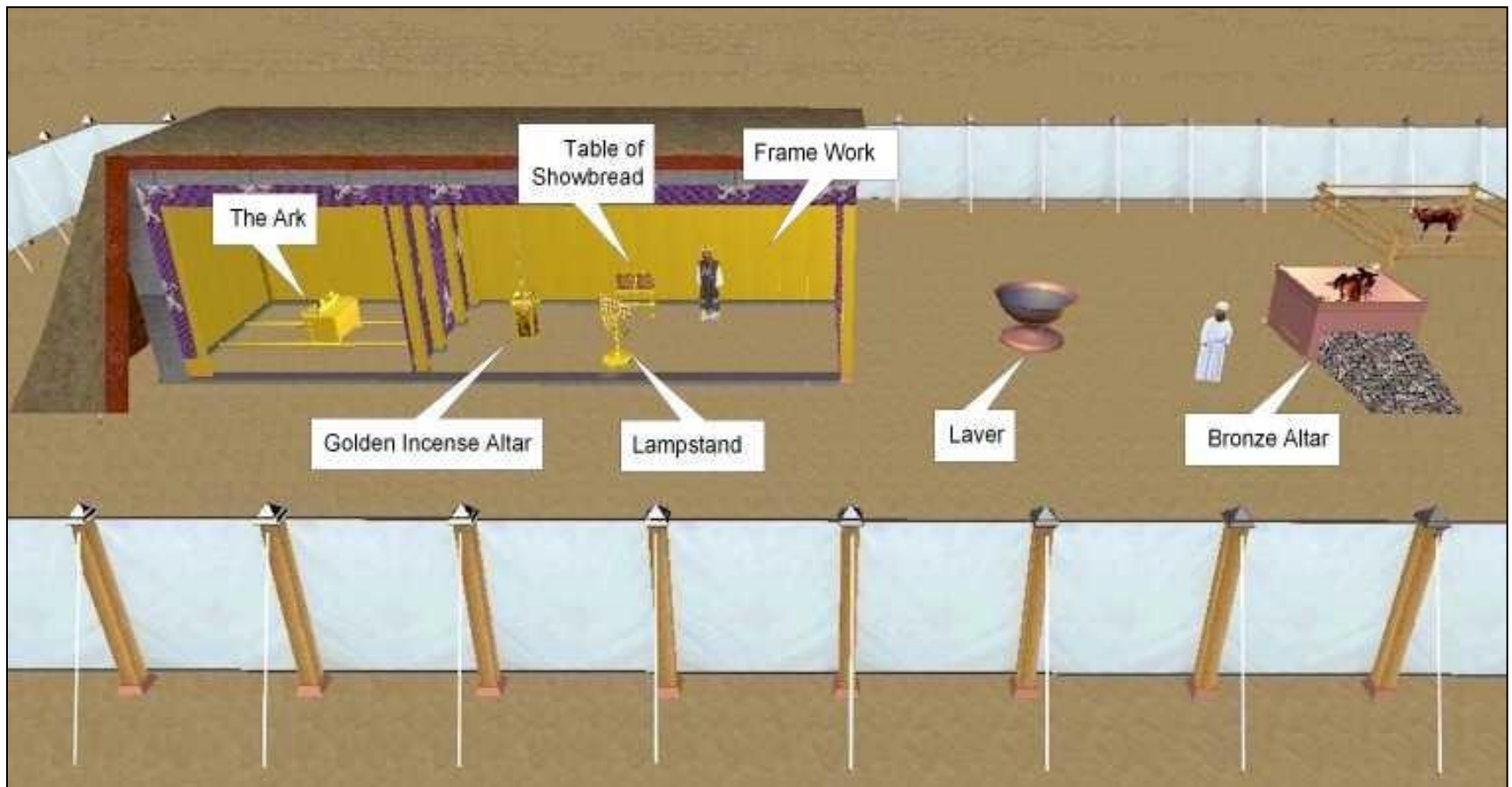
Generous help from grateful hearts.

- Moses asked for freewill offerings of money, materials, and skills
- the people gladly responded ([Exodus 35:20-29](#)).
- Moses appointed Bezalel and Oholiab to lead the project (as directed [Exodus 31:1-11](#))
- people gave so generously that Moses had to issue a decree that no more be given ([Exodus 36:5-7](#)).
- The magnitude of their generosity can be seen from the total weight of the precious metals mentioned in [Exodus 36:8-39:31](#).
- Some of this would have come from their plunder of Egypt ([Exodus 12:35-36](#)).

Exodus 36:8-38:31

The Tabernacle and its furnishings: Funded, fashioned, and finished.

- ample funding
- willing labor
- work on the Tabernacle and its furnishings proceeded smoothly.



Priestly garments: Made to order.

- garments made for the priests
- faithfully following the specified designs ([Exodus 28:1-42](#)).
- colors of robes matched some of those in the Tabernacle curtains.



PRIESTLY GARMENTS

OF THE HIGH PRIEST & THE ORDINARY PRIESTS



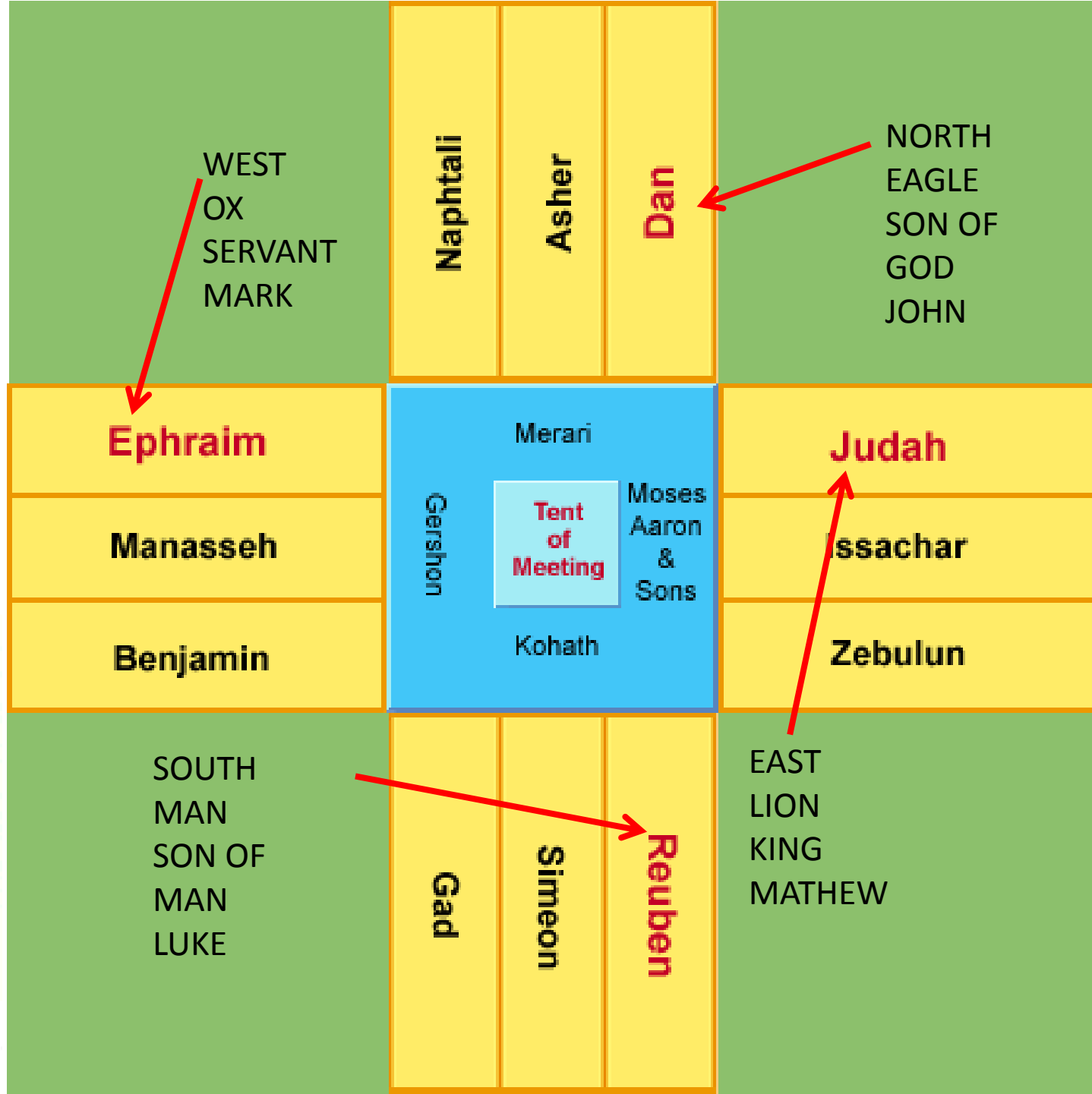
Exodus 39:32-42

Moses gives it his seal of approval.

- work completed
- Moses inspected the Tabernacle
- found it to be just as the Lord had prescribed.
- Tabernacle and priests ready for the journey to the Promised Land.

40. The Tabernacle is Set Up

STANDARD CAMP LAYOUT AROUND THE TABERNACLE FOR OVER 40 YEARS



Exodus 40:1-33

Grand opening!

- Israelites set up the Tabernacle for the first time
- precise order followed in doing so:
 - Ark of the Covenant going in first
 - then the veil separating it and the Most Holy Place from the rest of the Tabernacle ([Exodus 26:33](#)).



Mobile place of worship to be taken down and set up many more times during 40 years of desert wandering



[Exodus 40:34-38](#)

God's glory surrounds and saturates it.

- Tabernacle completed and set up
- God filled it so much with His presence that Moses could not enter.
- God's presence would guide Israel on to the Promised Land

Other Instances of God's presence:

- the angel ([Exodus 23:20-33](#); [Exodus 33:1-3](#))
- the cloud
- the fire ([Exodus 40:36-38](#))

The cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle (Exo 40:34)





MODERN DAY RECONSTRUCTION



The Outer Court

The bronze laver and bronze altar were located in the outer court. The altar was 7.5 feet (2.3m) square and 4.5 feet (1.37m) high, was made of acacia wood overlaid with bronze, and had a horn on each corner. The fire on the altar was to be kept burning at all times and the daily sacrifices were offered in the morning and afternoon.



Tabernacle with bronze laver



Tabernacle sacrificial altar



Tabernacle court with altar and bronze laver

HOLY PLACE



THE HOLY OF HOLIES



6. PRINCIPLES

STRATEGIC PRINCIPLES IN THE 5 BOOKS OF MOSES (THE PENTATEUCH)

BOOK	MANWARD ASPECTS	GODWARD ASPECTS
GENESIS	RUIN – through human transgression (destitution)	SOVEREIGNTY – in creation & election
EXODUS	REDEMPTION – by “the blood of the Lamb” (deliverance)	POWER – redemption & emancipation
LEVITICUS	COMMUNION – on the ground of atonement (dedication)	HOLINESS – sanctification demanded
NUMBERS	DIRECTION – by supernatural guidance	GOODNESS & SEVERITY – preserving & judging
DEUTERONOMY	DESTINATION – through divine faithfulness (discipline)	LOVE - in covenant promise
5 books = whole Bible in miniature	The order of experience for all pilgrims in all ages.	The only way to learn of God.

CHRIST IN EXODUS

Luk 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

Joh 5:39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

- 1. The Voice in the Burning Bush**
- 2. As Miracle Worker and Judge (in the plagues)**
- 3. The Passover Lamb of God**
- 4. The Unleavened Bread**
- 5. The Rock/Pillar of Cloud and Fire leading them**
- 6. The Red Sea Crossing**
- 7. The Manna from Heaven**
- 8. The Source of Living Water**
- 9. The Glory on Mt Sinai**
- 10. The Law**
- 11. The Tabernacle (see next 2 slides)**

THE LAW PRINCIPLES - THREEFOLD DIVISION

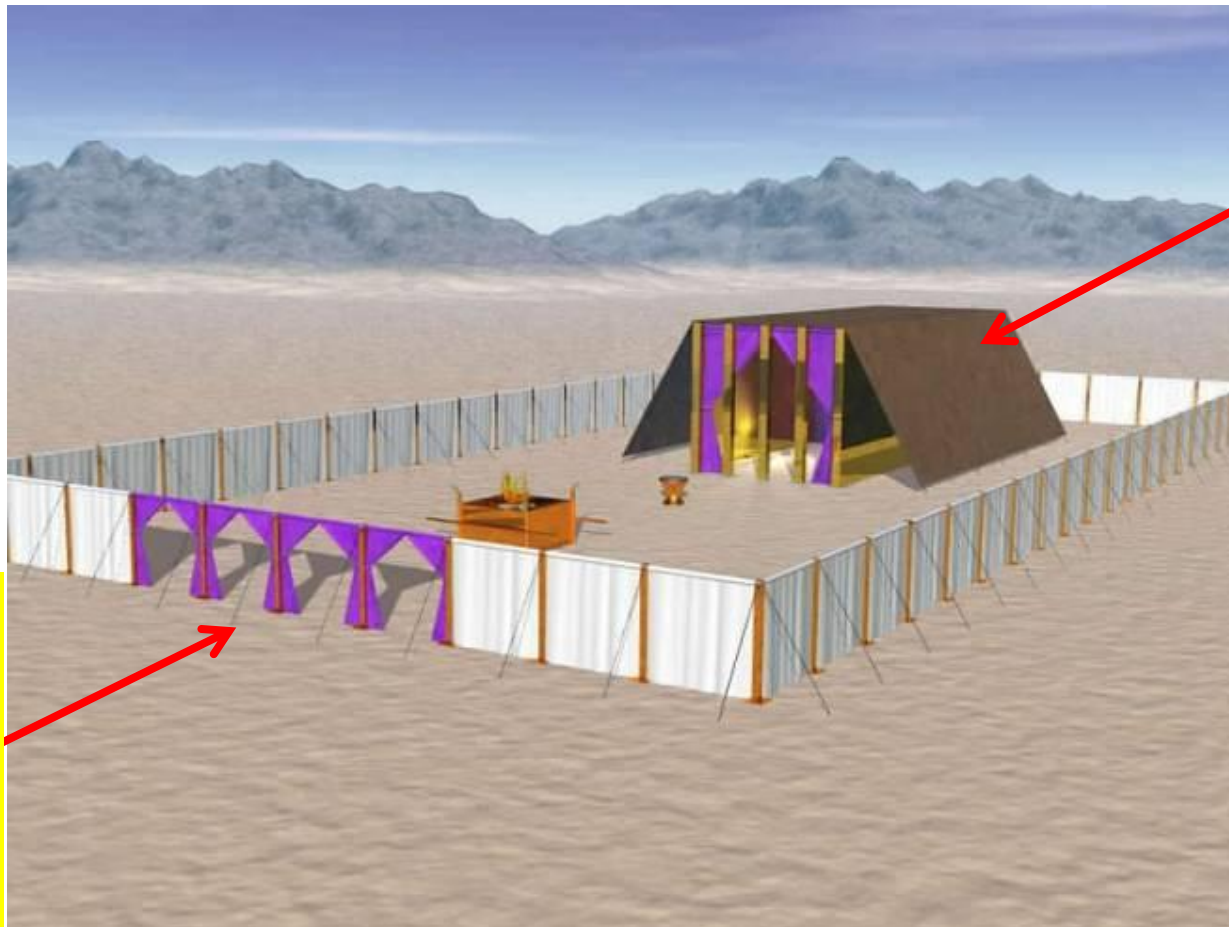
- **moral code** (10 Commandments)
- **spiritual code** (festivals & offerings)
- **social code** (marriage, sanitation etc)

WE TOO NEED A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR OUR MORAL, SPIRITUAL & SOCIAL LIVES (the choice is order or chaos)

TABERNACLE PRINCIPLES (TYPES OF CHRIST)	ROLE OF CHRIST	ELEMENT	His Ministry	Our role
Door	Entrance	Door	The way, truth & life	Approach
Bronze Altar	Substitute & sacrifice	Blood	Redemption	Belief in the Cross – repent & believe
Brass Laver	Cleansing & Regeneration	Water	Sanctification	Baptism
Golden table of Shewbread	Bread of Life	Bread	The Word	Hear & do
Golden candlestick	Light of the world	Oil	Holy Spirit	Be led by
Golden Table of Incense	Intercessor & Advocate	Incense	Prayer/Worship	Both
Mercy Seat	Our Propitiation			Meet with

APPROACH PRINCIPLES

1. THEN – for them
2. NOW – for us



FINISH

ONLY PLACE
FOR MAN
TO START
THE
APPROACH
TO GOD

Was God Glorified?

- **In character?** – YES! - as Father, Holy, Covenant-Keeper
- **In manifestations?** – YES! – Big-time in all Chapters
- **In words?** – YES! – talks with Man. Listens to Man.
- **In deeds?** – YES! – more miracles of great power
- **Against evil?** - YES! – against the calf-worshippers
- **In Strategy?** – YES! – as Deliverer, Redeemer, Restorer

Did Man Glorify God?

- Moses? – YES. How? Worship & service
- Aaron – No. Failed his toughest test
- Israelites – those that didn't paid with their lives
- More tests for Moses, Aaron etc & Israelites to come

**THEY ALL HAD TO GO THROUGH
INTENSIVE TRAINING**

**IN CLOSING: What tests/training do we face? LET'S
PRAY.**