



THE TABERNACLE OF MOSES OUTLINE BST 130

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I. INTRODUCTION - *Luke 24:27; Luke 24:32; Hebrews 10:1; Exodus 25:8,9; John 1:14; John 2:19*

- A. **The Tent of Meeting (Exodus 39:32,33,40) - Revelation 21, 22**
- B. **A Sanctuary (Exodus 25:8) - Ephesians 2:19-22**
- C. **The Tabernacle (Exodus 25:9) - Revelation 3: 20; Ephesians 3:17**
- D. **The Tabernacle of the Congregation (Exodus 27:21) - I Corinthians 12:25; Matthew 16:18**
- E. **The Tabernacle of the Lord (I Kings 2:28) - Hebrews 13:5; Deuteronomy 31:6; Joshua 1:9**
- F. **The Tabernacle of Testimony (Exodus 38:21) - Hebrews 9:4; II Corinthians 5:20**
- G. **The Tabernacle of Witness (Numbers 17:7,8) - John 15:16; I Corinthians 3:16; I Corinthians 6:19,20; II Corinthians 6:16; I Peter 2:5-8; II Corinthians 5:1; Revelation 21:3**

II. THE ARRANGEMENT OF THE TRIBAL CAMPS - (Numbers 2,3)

Numbers chapter 1 shows us that there were three main categories of people in the camp.
Exodus 28:15-21; Ezekiel 1:10; I Revelation 4:7

A. The Warriors -

1. **On the East (Numbers 2:3-9).** They totaled 186,400 warriors
 - a). **Camp of Judah**
 - b). **Tribe of Issachar.**
 - c). **Tribe of Zebulun**
2. **On the South (Numbers 2:10-16).** They totaled 151,450 warriors
 - a). **Camp of Reuben**
 - b). **Tribe of Simeon**
 - c). **Tribe of Gad**
3. **On the West (Numbers 2:18-24).** They totaled 108,100 warriors
 - a). **Camp of Ephraim**
 - b). **Tribe of Manasseh**
 - c). **Tribe of Benjamin**
4. **ON THE NORTH (Numbers 2:25-31).** They totaled 157,600 warriors.
 - a). **Camp of Dan**
 - b). **Tribe of Asher**
 - c). **Tribe of Naphtali**

Numbers 1:47-49; Numbers 1:50-51; 3:8; Numbers 1:53

B. The Workers

1. On the West

The Gershonite clans - Numbers 3:23,25,26. The males who were one month and older totaled 7,500.

2. On the South

The Kohathite clans -Numbers 3:29, 31. The males who were one month and older totaled 8,600.

3. On the North

The Merarite clans - Numbers 3:35, 36,37. The males who were one month and older totaled 6,200.

C. The Worshippers

1. On the East

Moses and Aaron and his sons - *Numbers 3:38*

The total number of Levites separated unto the Lord were 22,273

Number 3:43; Genesis 29:35; Genesis 37:26; Genesis 44:32-34; Judges 1:2

Valley of Beracah - *praise - II Chronicles 20;*

Revelation 5:5

Secondly - *Genesis 29:34* which meant "**to adhere**"; *Exodus 32:25-29; Numbers 8:23-26*

Thirdly, Moses, Aaron and his sons were appointed the high position as **worshippers** before their God - *Exodus 29*

Notice the order while in transit - *Numbers 10:11-28*

The movement of the camp was a picture of our Christian bodies when we take our journey from this life to the next.

First

Secondly,

Thirdly

Fourthly - *I Corinthians 15:51-54*

III. THE PILLAR OF CLOUD - Exodus 40:34-38; Numbers 9:15-23

Exodus 12:2; Exodus 40:2,17; Exodus 24:8

A. The Significance of the Cloud

John 3:16,36; 5:24; II Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 2:19-22; Acts 10:44-48;

Psalm 73:2

B. The Origin and Purpose of the Cloud - *Exodus 13:22 Exodus 19:16-25;*

Deuteronomy 4:10-12; Exodus 20:1-21; Exodus 32:1-6

C. The Symbol of the Cloud - *Matthew 28:20; John 14:16-18; Luke 24:49; John 16:13,14*

Acts 2:4; Acts 13:2; Acts 16:6

D. The Sanctifying Effect of the Cloud

Exodus 29:43-45; I Kings 8:10,11; I Thessalonians 4:16,17; John 14:1-4; Revelation 21:3

IV. THE COURT - Exodus 27:9-19; 38:9-20

A. THE WHITE LINEN

Song of Solomon 1:5,6; II Corinthians 7:1; I Corinthians 2:9-16

The linen represented several truths as follows:

1. **A Barrier**
2. **A Protection**
3. **A Fine-Line Marker** - *II Corinthians 6:17,18*
4. **A Way of Access** - *John 10:9; 14:6*

B. THE PILLARS

C. THE GATE

1. **It was the Only Gate** - *John 14:6; John 10:1*
2. **It was a Wide Gate** - *Titus 2:11*
3. **It was an Accessible Gate**
4. **It was an Attractive Gate** - **Blue** tells that our God came from heaven - *II Timothy 4:18*; **Purple** signifies that He is the King of kings - *Revelation 17:14*; **Scarlet** speaks of our suffering Saviour that shed His blood for our salvation - *Luke 24:46*; The **White** background displays the righteousness of God which is by faith of Christ Jesus - *Romans 3:22*
5. **It was a Well Supported Gate** - Do not these four pillars point toward - **Matthew** portrays the King in His (purple) beauty. **Mark** unfolds the suffering Servant who sheds His (scarlet) blood for all who receive it. **Luke** unfolds the perfect Man who opens to us, through His righteous (white) character, a new and better way. **John** tells the story of the Son of God who came from heaven (blue).

V. THE BRAZEN ALTAR - Exodus 27:1-8; 38:1-7

A. THE MEANING

The word "altar" "mizbeach" means "slaughter place" - *Hebrews 9:22; Isaiah 53:9; Genesis 2:17; Genesis 2:17; Romans 5:12,18; Galatians 3:13; Matthew 27:46*

B. THE MEASUREMENTS

1. **Bruising** - *Isaiah 52:14; 53:5; Matthew 26:67*
2. **Laceration** - *Psalms 129:1-3; Matthew 27:26*
3. **Penetration** - *Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 27:29,30*
4. **Perforation** - *Psalms 22:16; Matthew 27:35*
5. **Incision & Bursting** - *Zechariah 12:10; John 19:33,34*

Note: The word "pierced" in *Zechariah 12:10* means to "thrust through" with a spear, javelin, sword or any such weapon.

Hebrews 9:25-28; John 2:19; Matthew 26:61; 27:40,63

C. THE MATERIAL

1. **Acacia Wood** - *Isaiah 53:2*
2. **Bronze** - *Numbers 21:4-9*

D. THE HORNS - *Isaiah 61:1-3*. Our Lord was bound to His "**altar**" by cords of

1. **Love** - *John 13:1*
2. **Obedience** - *Philippians 2:8; John 10:18*
3. **Godly Zeal** - *Psalm 69:9; John 2:17*
4. **Joy** - *Hebrews 12:2*

Horns were also seen in Scripture as a place of refuge in the time of trouble (Adonijah - *1 Kings 1:50 f; cf. Luke 1:68,69*).

E. THE UTENSILS (five in all - the number of grace)

1. **The Pots or Pans** - *Exodus 27:1-8; Leviticus 6:10,11; cf. Numbers 16:1-50*
2. **The Shovels** –
3. **The Basins or Sprinkling Bowls** –
4. **Flesh hooks or Meat Forks** - *cf. 1 Samuel 2:12-17*
5. **The Firebase or Censers** - *Leviticus 10:1,2*

F. THE GRATE - *Exodus 20:24-26; 27:4-5; 38:4*

1. The altar was not allowed to have any tool lifted upon it.
2. Four rings were attached to the grate.
3. There would be a need for a strong draft to burn the constant flow of fresh animals.
4. Scripture shows that the animals were often bound to the horns of the Altar when waiting their turn (*Psalm 118:27b*).
5. Possibly the grate was wide enough for the priests to stand upon the top of it. *Leviticus 9:1-22; Exodus 20:26; cf. - John 12:20-33*

G. THE RINGS AND POLES OR STAVES - *Luke 9:23***H. THE BOARDS** - *Genesis 2:7***VI. THE LAVER** - *Exodus 30:17-21; 38:8; 40:7***A. THE MEANING** - *1 Corinthians 15:51-53***Representative Contrast Between the Altar and Laver****The Brazen Altar**

1. For sinners
2. Sin judged by the blood
3. Gives us access to God
4. Jesus died once for all
5. Saves from sin

Psalm 119:9-11

The Brazen Laver

1. For the priesthood
2. Sin judged by the Word
3. Gives us access to life
4. Daily washing required
5. Cleanses from defilement

A. THE MEANING (Contd.) - *James 1:22-25; John 15:3; John 17:17; II Corinthians 3:18; Ephesians 5:25-27*

B. THE MEASUREMENTS -

C. IT'S MAKEUP - *I Peter 3:3-5; Luke 6:41,42; Isaiah 6:5; II Corinthians 6:17; II Corinthians 7:1; Exodus 30:19-21a*

VII. THE TABERNACLE BUILDING - (Exodus 26; 36:8-38)

A. The Silver Socket Foundation - Exodus 30:11-16; 38:25-28

1. The Ransom Price - *Exodus 30:12; Proverbs 16:18; Joshua 7:3; Joshua 8:1*

2. The Atonement Money - *Exodus 30:16; Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 9:22; I Peter 1:18,19; Zechariah 11:12; Matthew 26:15; Romans 5:11b.*

3. Its Use - *Exodus 30:16; Exodus 38:27; I Corinthians 3:11*

B. The Boards and Bars - Exodus 26:15-29; 36:20-34

1. The Material - *Isaiah 53:2; Psalm 16:10; Acts 9:1-9*

2. The Size - *Numbers 35:7; Joshua 21:41; Exodus 26:30; I Corinthians 12:12; Ephesians 2:19-22*

3. The Makeup

(a). The Tenons - *I Corinthians 3:11; II Corinthians 6:17- 7:1*

(b). Covered with Gold - *Colossians 3:3; I Corinthians 15:50,53; Romans 3:22; Isaiah 64:6*

(c). The Corner Boards - *Exodus 26: 22-25*

(d). The Bars - *Ephesians 4:11-16*

VIII. THE CURTAINS AND COVERINGS - Exodus 26:1-14; 36:8-19

A. The Coverings - There were 3 coverings (Ohel) and one curtain (Mishkan) used.

1. First Covering (Badger Skins) - *Exodus 26:14; 36:19; Ezekiel 16:10;*

Exodus 12:36; Deuteronomy 29:5; Isaiah 53:2; I Peter 2:7a; John 1:12

2. The Second Covering (Ram's Skins Dyed Red) - *Genesis 22:13,14;*

Exodus 29:15-21; Leviticus 8:22-24; Hebrews 10:4-10

3. The Third Covering (Goat's Hair) - *John 1:29b; Exodus 35:26; Leviticus 9:3;*

Numbers 7:22; Leviticus 16; 15, 20-22; Isaiah 53:3; II Corinthians 5:21; Genesis 30:25-43; Song of Songs [Solomon] 1:5

B. The Curtain [Mischan] (Finely Twisted [Twined] Linen)

The blue flowers speak of the Lord's heavenly origin. Jesus was also uprooted when He was blossoming. Jesus also grew as a seed from the ground (born of a woman). Jesus was whipped by the centurion Jesus was heckled by the crowd. Jesus' death brought forth righteousness for His people (*Isaiah 61:10a; I Corinthians 1:30*).

1. Fine Linen - *Jeremiah 23:6*

2. Twisted Linen -

3. Coloured Linen - There were three colours blended into the white linen.

Some of the linen was used to form cherubim which carried with them symbolic meaning. The cherubim listed in *Ezekiel 1:10; 10:14* had the face of an ox (cherub), man, lion, and eagle. In these 4 faces is found the fourfold character of God's messengers: Their service is expressed by the strength of the **LION**, the sacrifice of the **OX**, the sympathy of the **MAN**, and the sight and swiftness of the **EAGLE**.

- a). **White** - *Luke 1:27,35,49,75; 2:23*
- b). **Blue** - *Exodus 28:6,15; 39:2,5,8; John 1:1,6,7,14,34,51*
- c). **Purple** – *Matthew 1:17; 2:1,11; 8:28*
- d). **Scarlet** – *Mark 1:12,31,41; 2:17; 10:45*

IX. THE GOLDEN CANDLESTICK - Exodus 25:31-40; 37:17-24; 39:37; Jeremiah 52:19; Daniel 5:2-5; Revelation 1:20

I Samuel 3:3

A. Its Formation - *Isaiah 53:1*

B. Its Design - *Genesis 46:26; Exodus 1:5; and Judges 8:30; Acts 17:28*

1. The Knops -

- a. At His birth - *Luke 2:14*
- b. In His ministry - *Luke 1:79b*
- c. In His death - *Colossians 1:2*
- d. In His Resurrection - *Hebrews 13:20*

2. The Bowls - *Genesis 44:2,12,16,17; Jeremiah 35:5; John 12:23,24*

3. The Flowers –

4. The Lamps - *Exodus 40:25*

5. The Oil - *Exodus 27:20*

C. The Tongs and Snuff Dishes - *Philippians 3:13; II Corinthians 12:7-10; Revelation 2:5; Matthew 5:14-16*

X. THE TABLE OF SHEWBREAD (OF HIS PRESENCE) - Exodus 25:23-30; 31:8; 37:10-16; Leviticus 24:5-9; Hebrews 9:2

*I Corinthians 10:16-21; I Samuel 21:3-6; Exodus 29:40,41; Numbers 28:1-31; Psalm 23:5
Revelation 3:20; Luke 24:30,31,35*

A. Its Size - *I Corinthians 11: 28,29*

B. Its Material - *Philippians 3:10,11; II Timothy 2:12*

C. The Rim (Border) - *Jude 24; Matthew 24:35*

D. The Crowns - *Matthew 27:29,30; Hebrews 2:7-9*

E. The Rings and Poles (Staves) -

F. Its Vessels - There were several vessels required to be used at the Table.

1. Dishes or chargers -

2. The Dishes (Spoons) - *Numbers 7:86*

3. Pitchers (covers) and Bowls - *Numbers 28:7*

G. The Legs - *Numbers 5:17; Luke 24:44*

H. The Shewbread - *Numbers 4:7,8; I Chronicles 9:31,32; Psalm 78:18,19; Exodus 12:11*

I. The Frankincense - *I Corinthians 11:26; Psalm 1:1,2; Joshua 1:8*

XI. THE ALTAR OF INCENSE - Exodus 30:1-10; 37:25-29; 30:34-38

Matthew 18:19; Psalm 141:2; James 5:16

A. The Materials -

B. The Crown - *Psalm 37:23,24; Luke 22:31,32; Psalm 8:5,6; Psalm 21:3; Hebrews 2:9*

C. The Horns - *II Chronicles 20:21,22; Leviticus 4:7,18; Leviticus 16:18; Revelation 9:13; Psalm 66:18; Romans 15:11; Psalm 117:1*

D. The Rings and Poles (Staves) - *Romans 5:5*

E. Its Purpose - *I Timothy 2:5; Revelation 8:3; Isaiah 6:5-8; I Peter 2:5-9; Hebrews 13:15,16*

1. *I Kings 18:36,38*

2. *Daniel 9:21ff*

3. *Acts 3:1*

4. *Acts 10:30,31*

5. *Matthew 27:45-53*

These last three prayers took place at the ninth hour (3:00 P.M.). There is quite a contrast between the Bronze Altar and the Altar of Incense.

Bronze Altar

1. Located in the courtyard
2. Covered with bronze
3. Had no crown
4. Place of suffering
5. Place for the sinner

Altar of Incense

1. Located in the Holy Place
2. Covered with gold
3. Had a crown
4. Place of triumph
5. Place for the saint

There is also a number of similarities between the Altars.

Bronze Altar

1. Was foursquare
2. Here Christ is seen dying for the whole world irrespective of color or race
3. Had rings and poles
4. Had four horns

Altar of Incense

1. Was foursquare
2. Here Christ is seen praying for the whole Church irrespective of creed or denomination
3. Had rings and poles
4. Had four horn

Exodus 30:6

F. The Incense - *I Thessalonians 5:17*

- a. The merit of His life
- b. The merit of His death
- c. The merit of His resurrection

1. Gum Resin (Stacte) - *Job 29:22,23; Luke 4:22; Mark 11:23; Matthew 5:37*

2. Onycha -

3. Galbanum -

4. Frankincense - *Matthew 2:11b; Exodus 30:37,38; I Timothy 2:5b; Hebrews 10:21,22a*

XII. THE ARK OF THE COVENANT - *Exodus 25:10-22; 37:1-9; 40:21; Leviticus 16:2, 13-15*

A. Its Makeup - *Psalm 45:13*

B. The Crown - The Ark also had a crown of Gold - *I Peter 5:4*

There were three crowns in the Tabernacle furniture:

1. The Crown of the Law (Exodus 25:11) -

2. The Crown of the Priesthood (Exodus 30:3) -

3. The Crown of the Kingdom (Exodus 25:24) -

C. The Rings and Poles - *Romans 1:17*

D. The Contents - *Exodus 25:16*

God's Testimony consisted of three things.

1. The Ten Commandments - *cf. Matthew 22:37-40*

a. His Person - No other gods before Me.

b. His Worship - No graven image or likeness to be made or worshiped.

c. His Name - Not to be taken in vain.

d. His Day - It must be kept holy.

The last 6 commandments reveal man's duty to man.

- e. Honour to parents.
- f. Shall not murder one another.
- g. Shall not commit adultery with another.
- h. Shall not steal from another.
- i. Shall not tell lies to another.
- j. Shall not covet the possessions of another.

2. The Jar of Manna - Aaron was commanded to collect a jar of manna and place it in the Ark. This speaks of the present glory of God - *Exodus 16:33*

There are 3 interpretations to the word "*manna*." They are:

- a. **Hebrew** *What is it?*
- b. **Chaldean** *It is a portion.*
- c. **English** *Bread.*

It was indeed the portion that the people needed. It was a . . .

- a. **Sufficient Portion** - There was enough for everyone.
- b. **Suitable Portion** - The Jews say, "It tasted to every man as he pleased."
- c. **Satisfying Portion** - No one went away hungry.
- d. **Strengthening Portion** - They were strong enough to journey, work and fight.
- e. **Sustaining Portion** - They lived for 40 years on it.
- f. **Sure Portion** - It never failed.

3. The Rod of Aaron that Budded - It was the emblem of a God-chosen priesthood. The evidences of the priesthood are 3-fold.

- a. **Buds** - the symbol of life.
- b. **Blossoms** - the token of beauty.
- c. **Fruit** - the sign of usefulness

E. The Mercy Seat - The "*mercy seat*" is really the lid or covering of the Ark. The word "*seat*" literally means "*propitiation*." - see *I John 4:10; Romans 3:25; Genesis 3:24*

F. The Ark in Journey - *Numbers 3:30,31; Numbers 4:5,6; Numbers 10:33-36; Numbers 14:44,45; I Samuel 4; I Samuel 5:1-5; I Samuel 6:13; I Samuel 6:19; Acts 2:13; Jeremiah 3:16; Revelation 11:1*