



Build on the Rock

Doctrinal Lesson
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Lesson 6:

"The Gospel in the Sanctuary"



Approximately 3500 years ago, God commanded His people to build a portable sanctuary to carry through the wilderness on their journey to the promised land. Within the sanctuary and its services, there are many important Truths revealed to us about salvation. Some church goers, today, foolishly presume that this ancient system has NO significance for the modern day Christian, but the Truth is that the gospel is all throughout the sanctuary. Complete this lesson with the K.J.V. Bible and see how the gospel is in the sanctuary and how it can help you in your Christian walk today!

1) After God delivered the children of Israel from Egypt and He gave them the Ten Commandments, what did God command them to build and why? -Exodus 25:8

1 - They were to build a "San__ __ua_y" so that God would "dw__ll among th__m."

*Note: In order for God to dwell with His people, they had to build a sanctuary. Why was the sanctuary necessary in order for God to dwell with His people? Within the sanctuary and its services were important Truths about the GREAT PLAN to save sinful man from eternal destruction. Without the people of Israel attaining this knowledge, God could NOT dwell with them.

2) What did the people of Israel have to sacrifice in the sanctuary and who did the sacrifice represent? -Leviticus 1:9-11, John 1:29

1 - The people primarily brought of the "flocks of the sh__ __p, or of the g__ats" as an offering.
2 - These sacrificial offerings represented J__sus Chr__st.



*Note: The central theme of the gospel is Jesus Christ. The animal sacrifice pointed to Jesus Christ and His death on the cross. These animal sacrifices began as soon as Adam and Eve left the garden of Eden. Abel, Noah, Abraham and others offered animal sacrifices many years before the sanctuary system was set up to teach.....

.....the important lesson of the cross (See Genesis 4:4, 8:20, 22:13). The sanctuary system that Moses was instructed to build was to give more understanding to the people of Israel about God's wonderful plan of salvation.

3) What does the Bible say is revealed in the sanctuary? -Psalms 77:13. 1 - God's "w_y" is revealed to us in the "sanctu_ry."

4) What was the earthly sanctuary that Moses built an exact copy of? -Hebrews 8:5

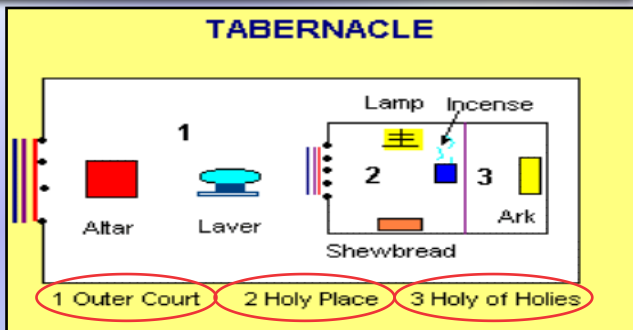
1 - When Moses was commanded to make the sanctuary, God showed him a "patt_ern" of the heavenly sanctuary and commanded him to make an exact copy of it.



*Note: The heavenly sanctuary was already in existence when Moses was commanded to build the earthly sanctuary. The earthly sanctuary was an exact copy of the heavenly.

*Note: The sanctuary was divided into 3 parts:

- 1 - The Outer Court (Exodus 40:33)
- 2 - The Holy Place (Exodus 26:33)
- 3 - The Most Holy Place (Exodus 26:33)



5) What 2 articles of furniture were in the Outer Court? -Exodus 40:6, 7. 1 - "Alter of the b__nt o__ering", 2 - "La_er."

Alter of Burnt Offering - This was where the animal sacrifice was laid and offered to God as a sacrifice after the sinner confessed his sins. It is symbolic of the FIRST STEP of salvation - acceptance of Jesus and repentance.



Laver - This was where the priests washed and cleansed themselves before entering the Holy Place. It is symbolic of the SECOND STEP of salvation - Water Baptism and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

6) What 3 articles of furniture were in the Holy Place? -Exodus 30:1, Hebrews 9:1, 2. 1 - "Alt_r to bu_n Incense." 2 - The "candlest_ck." 3 - The "Ta_le" of "shewbr_ad."



Alter of Incense - This was where the priest burnt special incense every morning unto the Lord. The burning of incense is symbolic of prayer. (See Psalms 141:2) This emphasizes the importance of a strong prayer life if you want to be closer to Jesus and fit for heaven.

Candlestick - This was to be lit and kept burning continually (See Leviticus 24:4). Light in the Bible is symbolic of Jesus (John 8:12). Jesus also tells us to "let your light so shine before men..." (Matt. 5:16) The candlestick shows us the important of receiving light from Jesus and sharing it to the world.

Table of Shewbread - This is where 12 loaves of freshly baked unleavened bread was placed on a daily basis. Bread in the Bible is symbolic of Jesus. Jesus said "I am the bread of life." -John 6:35. Leaven in the Bible is symbolic of sin. The spiritual food that the Christian must eat is the Word of God. The eating of the shewbread emphasizes the importance of studying the Word of God on a daily basis.

7) What article of furniture was placed in the Most Holy Place? What was placed inside the golden box? -Hebrews 9:3, 4, Deuteronomy 10:3-5

1 - Inside the Most Holy Place was the "Ar__ of the Coven__nt."

2 - The "tables of the covenant", the "T__n Comma__dme__ts" were placed inside the ark.



Ark of the Covenant & Ten Commandments - The only article of furniture in the Most Holy Place was the Ark of the Covenant. Within this sacred box were several items, one being the Ten Commandments. These laws point us to the perfect character of God and reveal God's basic requirements for His people. "Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." -Ecclesiastes 12:13

***Note:** All 3 areas of the sanctuary and every article of furniture in the sanctuary shed light concerning how we can grow closer to Jesus and be prepared for heaven. Within the Sanctuary we see steps for **JUSTIFICATION, SANCTIFICATION and PERFECTION** in Christ Jesus. Repentance, Baptism, Bible Study, Prayer, Witnessing and Obedience are all essential in the process of salvation.



8) Who dwelt in the Most Holy Place upon the Mercy Seat of the Ark of the Covenant? How often did the priest enter the Most Holy Place? -Leviticus 16: 2, Hebrews 9:6, 7.

1 - The "Lo__d" appeared in a "clo__d upon the mercy se__t" in the Most Holy Place.

2 - The High Priest alone went into the Most Holy Place "on__e in a year" on the Day of Atonement.

***Note:** Only on the Day of Atonement did the high priest enter the Most Holy Place in the presence of God. The word Atonement can be broken into 3 words: At - One - Ment. This was a special day of cleansing when God's people were to afflict their souls and repent of all sins so that they would be at one with God. The Day of Atonement was a Day of Judgment for the people of Israel as those who did NOT afflict their souls were cut off from God's people.

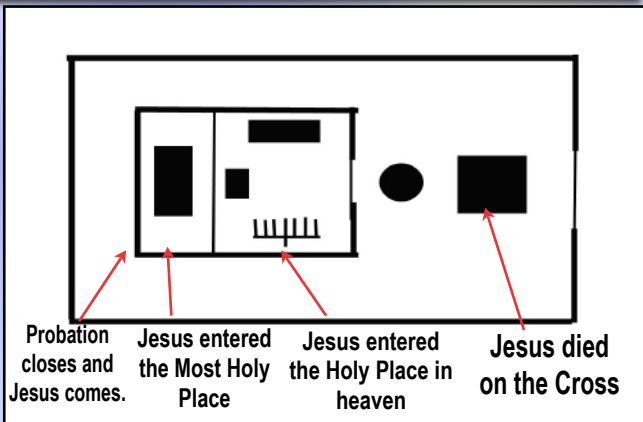
9) Where does the Bible say Jesus is right now and what is he doing? -Hebrews 9:11, 12; 7:24, 25

A) He is in the heavenly sanctuary as our High Priest making intercession for us.

B) He is sitting on His throne doing nothing.

C) He's planting gardens with Elijah and Enoch.

***Note:** The sanctuary reveals to us what Jesus was, is and will be doing at different periods of time. Jesus died in the courtyard, then, went into the Holy Place of the heavenly sanctuary. Next, He moved into the Most Holy Place and when He finishes His work there, He will come to deliver His people!



10) What did Isaiah see that Jesus, our Intercessor, would leave as He comes to deliver His people? What does that tell us we must do now while He is still our High Priest? -Isaiah 59:16-18, Acts 3:19

1 - Isaiah saw that there was "No Interc__sso__" for us in the sanctuary.

2 - We must "Rep__nt" and be "conve__ted" while Jesus is in the sanctuary.

***Note:** When Jesus leaves the sanctuary, probation closes on the whole world!

Appeal) Will you follow the steps to salvation that are laid out in the sanctuary so that you can be ready for heaven? ____.

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