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Exodus CH 36.

**The details in building the
Tabernacle, a dwelling place for
the LORD GOD.**

In Exodus CH 35 Moses gathers the Israelites together and tells them or retells them the LORD's commandments. The details of building the Tabernacle



Explain Tabernacle = מִשְׁכָּן

Miškān dwelling place first used in

CH 26. Courtyard, Tent of meetings and the Holy of Holies.

Moses repeats the Sabbath command and tells the people to bring offerings for the construction of the tabernacle.

Moses reminds the people of their Sabbath obligation and to contribute to the construction of the tabernacle, this is a part of the worship, giving.

And the people did so. And there is NO mention of a tithe. In fact the attitude of the people was exactly what Paul said in 2 COR 9 GOD loves a cheerful giver. And the people here were happy to give.

/In contrast to their rebellious idol-worship just weeks before, this time the people eagerly put their gifts and skills to GOD's use. The Israelites have grown in their trust and obedience of GOD, although they made it painful by their own stupid decisions.

The Tabernacle, Tent of Meeting, Holy of Holies all being built and as we have seen the Trinity was represented in all that.



/Most places of worship,
Churches, Mosques, whatever start
with the building. The appearance
that people will see and remark
about the wonderful building that
man made. Then they will place
certain furniture and the rest of the
decorations, all again to impress
the people with what man can do.

GOD reveals what furniture he
wants first, and then how to put
walls around it. The LORD starts
with a piece of furniture in the
inner room into which no man
could go except the high priest,
and only once a year.

The ceiling as you look up, would
have been decorated beautifully in
that linen with the cherubim again

GOD's angels of judgment looking down on the scene below.

/An amazing thing is that with all the gorgeous gold and with the beautiful, embroidered ceiling and the gold furniture, there is a dirt floor. There is no instruction about carpets. I guess there could have been...



Most religious buildings you will find great carpets or granite tile marble, but this was on the earth.

GOD has come down to earth;
Yeshua came right down into a

manger on a dirt floor. Right down to the very soil from which we (HIS CREATION) are all made.

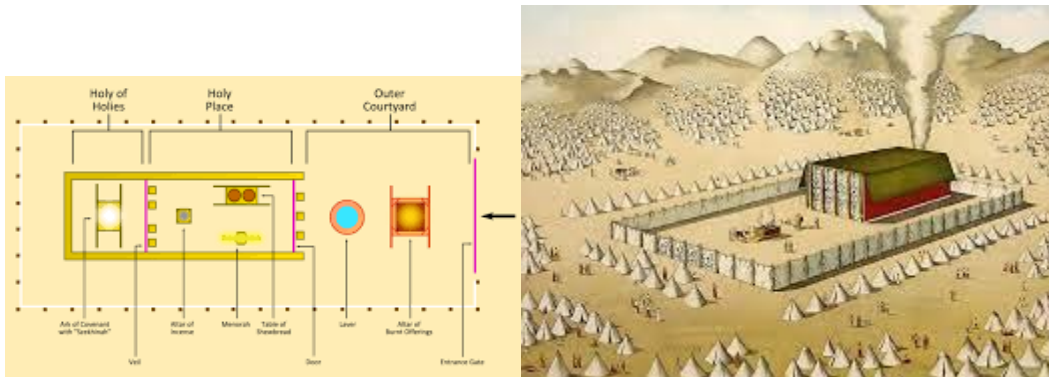
Adam was made of the dust of the earth and GOD's tabernacle sits on the dust of the earth.

/There also was no mention of light in the holy of holies. No natural light in that room, no candlestick. Yet that was the brightest part of this building.

When GOD came near, it is as bright as bright can get, the Shekinah glory.

In Heaven there will be neither natural nor artificial light needed, the LORD GOD will be in the midst of HIS people and thus HE

will be the light of that city. There we will see complete what Moses was asking for, the Glory of GOD.



/The 3 areas of the tabernacle tell us a great deal about the three persons of the GOD head.

One room tells us a lot about GOD the Father. That room where GOD and man meet tells us a lot about GOD the Son, about Yeshua.

The court is full of meaning of the work of the Holy Spirit among people.

In the tent of meeting we have three items of furniture where GOD and man meet regularly.

The three items are the candlestick, with seven branches, three on one side three on the other and a large central one.

Yeshua said **“I am the light of the world”** – **if you follow Me** you will not walk in darkness; notice **if you follow HIM.**

Opposite was a small with twelve loaves of bread on it. Yeshua said, **“I am the bread of life”.**

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The third piece of furniture is a very small altar. It was not used for sacrifices but for incense. The sweet aroma to GOD representing the sweet aroma of HIS Forgiveness. HIS Justice satisfied.

The court itself, measuring seventy five by one hundred and fifty feet.

This is the human part of the building. This symbolizes the work of GOD the Holy Spirit. Starting outside, imagine you are among the Israelites who are in tents.

You would be looking at it from four sides. You would see the pure white curtain telling you that GOD is clean and holy and that if you

are going to come inside, you must be too.

There is only one way to enter the courtyard. There is only One Name under Heaven by which man can be saved.



/Whatever corner you come from, what direction you approach GOD from, sooner or later you have got to go through the one door.

There was one door and all had to come that way. Jesus said, **“I am the door” JOH 10.**

It is only thieves who preach other ways and other gods, the informational war we are at its core is good GOD vs evil the KOD.

If one wants to come to GOD, the One True GOD, there is only One WAY Yeshua. That One gate was the only way in.

The next thing that you come to, as soon as you come through that door, that One gate is a place where life is taken, where blood is shed, where the sacrifice is made.

You can get no nearer to GOD until you have been there.

The first thing you need to do if you are going to meet with GOD is to get to the place of sacrifice: the place where the ultimate blood has been shed, the place where the ultimate offering has been made for sin.

/You cannot get any nearer to GOD until you have been to the work of Yeshua on the Cross.



There were horns on that altar to tie the animals to. They are sharp,

spiked horns. They speak of the nails that tied the Lamb of GOD to the place of death and sacrifice.

You know the orthodox Jew has a dilemma.

LEV 17:11, For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life.

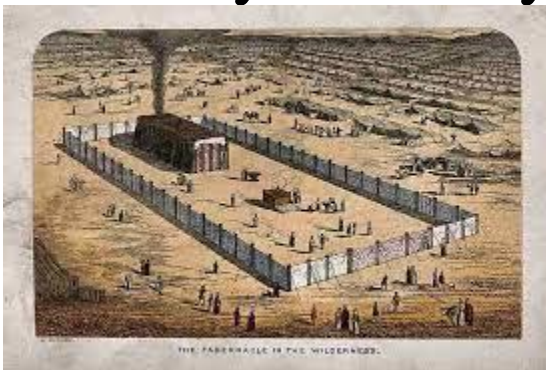
Since 70 AD there has been no temple. So Paul was hated because he wrote in Hebrews (I think it was Paul).

HEB 9:22, Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the

shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

The dilemma ends with faith in Yeshua Who shed HIS blood for atonement of sin, once for all (HEB 7).

There was only One way in, only One name under Heaven by which man can be saved, Yeshua. So that no matter what direction one approached the tabernacle, there was only One way in.



/So, we see the trinity, the courtyard, where the sin was addressed with the truth of the sacrifice, the shedding of blood.

This is what the HS does. Make the Gospel message understandable to the believer.

The Tent of meeting, where Yeshua tore the veil in two that separated man from GOD. And the Holy of holies where the mercy of GOD is found because of the blood of Yeshua.

What a story, what a gift, what a GOD! Thank You Yeshua!!!

Let's go to CH 36

36:1, “Now Bezalel and Oholiab, and every skillful person in whom the LORD has put skill and understanding to know how to perform (AT) all the work in the construction of the sanctuary (ko desh = holy place), shall perform in accordance with all that the LORD has commanded (tsaw vah = command, order).”

Verse 1 records the last sentence in Moses’ speech about Bezalel’s commission from the LORD.

This verse serves as a transition to the Israelite’s overwhelming offering for beginning work on the tabernacle (2–6). The remainder of the CH (7–38) and the 3 CH’s that follow (37–39) repeat, almost

verbatim, many of the detailed instructions that GOD has given to Moses.

2 Then Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab and every skillful person in whom the LORD had put skill, everyone whose heart stirred him, to come to the work to perform it.

The planning and preparation period was over, it was time to actually do the work of building the tabernacle and its furnishings.

3 They received from Moses all the contributions which the sons of Israel had brought to perform the work in the construction of the sanctuary.

And they still continued bringing to him freewill offerings every morning.

4 And all the skillful men who were performing all the work of the sanctuary came, each from the work which he was performing,

/The planning and preparation were over, it was time to actually do the work of building the tabernacle and its furnishings.

They continued bringing to Moses freewill offerings every morning: Moses let them know they were to worship the LORD by their giving, and the people started bringing

their offering to the LORD. And they didn't stop. The materials kept arriving from the people and now there was a problem developing.

...too much, an abundance.

5 and they (those builders, men in charge of the building) **said to Moses, “The people are bringing much more than enough for the construction work which the LORD commanded us to perform.”**

This is an illustration of how blessed giving can be when free from human interference and false teachings regarding prosperity.

/2COR 9:6-7, Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for GOD loves a cheerful giver.

We see that Moses and the leaders of the workers knew how much was enough.

The job was organized and planned to the extent that they understood what was needed, after all it perfectly designed. But some artistic, decorative details were left up to the workers. But they were filled temporarily with the H.S.

Point is that Moses and the workers knew they had received enough materials to complete the work. In fact now the material they were still receiving was taking them away from the work they had to do.

When GOD's people are asked to give to something, they should expect that it be well organized, well planned, and well managed to serve the LORD and HIS People...

Catholic Church...religion just in what is falsely advertised as Christianity is worth well over a trillion dollars.

Take that down to smiling Joe = a billionaire more or less. A church

that takes in 90 million a year and gives very little. That is not my concern, but it is between them and the LORD.

6 So Moses issued a command, and a proclamation was circulated throughout the camp, saying, “Let no man or woman any longer perform work for the contributions of the sanctuary.” Thus the people were restrained from bringing any more.

7 For the material they had was sufficient (dah hee or die = enough first used here) and more than enough for all the work, to perform it.

The gifts, offerings, included raw materials such as wood and precious metals, as well as items that the people had spun, woven, dyed, and tanned. An interesting problem arose, as the offering was more than enough.

WOW,

/What Church, better yet what pastor today would say, ah, you know what guys, we got enough for now...that's more than enough, stop giving for a bit? I guess some might, but not the ones who need another Gulfstream G650ER costs 60 million.

ER = nearly half way around the world...



What was happening was that the people were coming to give their various materials, their offerings and the workers and the work was not getting done. They were too busy with the offerings to do the were of the LORD that they were to do.

Here it wasn't from greed, but still there is a lesson in that, right?

Here it was for the right attitude of the people. They were obeying GOD. However, there are far too many churches, pastors, religious organizations are too busy raising

money, and hiding it here or there, to do anything for the LORD.

I realize that is not the case in this CH of Exodus. But the principle of a warning I think can be drawn from the experience here.

/This daily interruption of the craftsmen's work I guess somewhat ironically prevented them from working on the tabernacle.

They had to ask Moses to stop the people (v. 5) and he gave an order for the people to stop making the offerings. They were restrained from bringing more . . . what they already had was more than enough (v. 7).

The gold the people had given for the golden calf had clearly been but a small token of their wealth.

They added abundant precious metals to their offerings of time and labor for the tabernacle, pouring out expressions of gratitude for their renewed relationship with the LORD.

8 All the skillful men among those who were performing the work made the tabernacle with ten curtains; of fine twisted linen and blue and purple and scarlet material, with cherubim, the work of a skillful workman, Bezalel made them.

The rest of this CH is all about Bezah el (in the shadow of GOD).

/Bezalel holds a very unique GOD given calling. An artist, an artisan, are they the same? Well this man and ah holy ab (fathers tent). Bu implication there were others as well, but bezahel seems to be the focus. He was the leader of the workers, indued with the HS.

The Bible first mentions Bezalel in EXO 31. GOD identifies him by name and commissions him to an important role. A role very important to GOD.

What a privilege this man was given.

CH 31:1-6 the LORD said HE the LORD filled him with the Spirit of GOD, with ability and intelligence, with knowledge and all craftsmanship, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold, silver, and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, to work in every craft. And behold, I have appointed with him Oholiab.

/Bezalel was highly skilled at many crafts because GOD had filled him with the Holy Spirit specifically for GOD's purposes in design and construction.

We would assume he was a craftsman to start and that niche was used to accomplish things far

beyond his own original skills would have allowed.

However, I will say that I would bet he was what we would call a spiritual man.

GOD enabled him with abilities, intelligence, knowledge, and “all craftsmanship” (EXO 31:3) to devise artistic designs in gold, silver, and bronze. Bezalel could also cut and set stones and carve wood.

And the LORD didn't leave him without support. GOD also appointed Oholiab of the tribe of Dan, to work with him. These men, plus others (Vs 6), would

help Moses successfully obey
GOD.

GOD seems to assure these
craftsmen that HE isn't calling
them without giving them the
needed skills.

GOD tells Moses, **“They may
make all that I have commanded
you”** (verse 6). The LORD is
assuring the craftsmen and Moses.
Also the LORD is saying that HE,
GOD will provide everything for
Bezalel and his team to be
successful.

/There is a lesson for us there.
Yeshua will give us everything we
need to live in HIS plan for our
life. When GOD calls us to

something, HE will provide. Now HE will also allow us to use the talents we have from HIM and we have utilized and can utilize for that calling.

GOD does NOT throw us out on our own to find our own way to do HIS Will. This passage also confirms that artistry and creativity are important to GOD.

Why Did God Call Bezalel to Make the Ark and Other Items?

The assignments of Bezalel and Oholiab and the others we assume, occur after GOD tells Moses to construct the sanctuary, and the ark of the covenant (EXO 25).

9 The length of each curtain was twenty-eight cubits and the width of each curtain four cubits; all the curtains had the same measurements.

10 He joined five curtains to one another and the other five curtains he joined to one another.

11 He made loops of blue on the edge of the outermost curtain in the first set; he did likewise on the edge of the curtain that was outermost in the second set.

12 He made fifty loops in the one curtain and he made fifty loops on the edge of the curtain that

was in the second set; the loops were opposite each other.

13 He made fifty clasps of gold and joined the curtains to one another with the clasps, so the tabernacle (miskan = dwelling place) was a unit.



/The descriptions of the tabernacle construction is nearly identical to the LORD's instructions to Moses in EXO 25–31, but, if you noticed the order differs. So here we see the tent of meeting and the covering over it.

10 curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet; with cherubim of cunning work made he them, the figures of the cherubim were skillfully woven into the cloth, as it was made on the loom with the four kinds of yarn, or thread.

14 Then he made curtains of goats' hair for a tent over the tabernacle; he made eleven curtains in all.

15 The length of each curtain was thirty cubits and four cubits the width of each curtain; the eleven curtains had the same measurements.



/16 He joined five curtains by themselves and the other six curtains by themselves.

17 Moreover, he made fifty loops on the edge of the curtain that was outermost in the first set, and he made fifty loops on the edge of the curtain that was outermost in the second set.

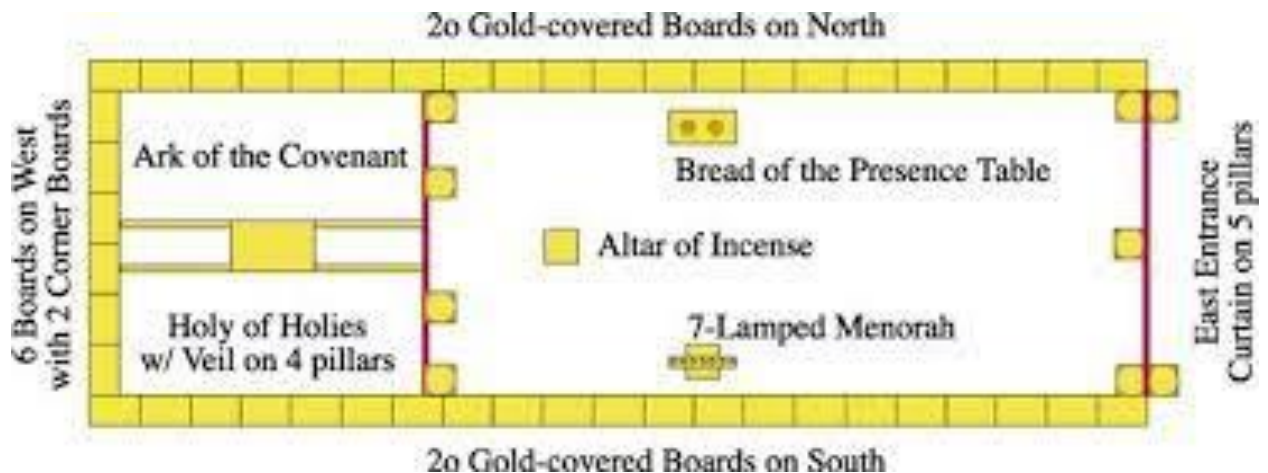
18 He made fifty clasps of bronze to join the tent together so that it would be a unit.

19 He made a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and

a covering of porpoise skins above.

20 Then he made the boards for the tabernacle of acacia wood, standing upright.

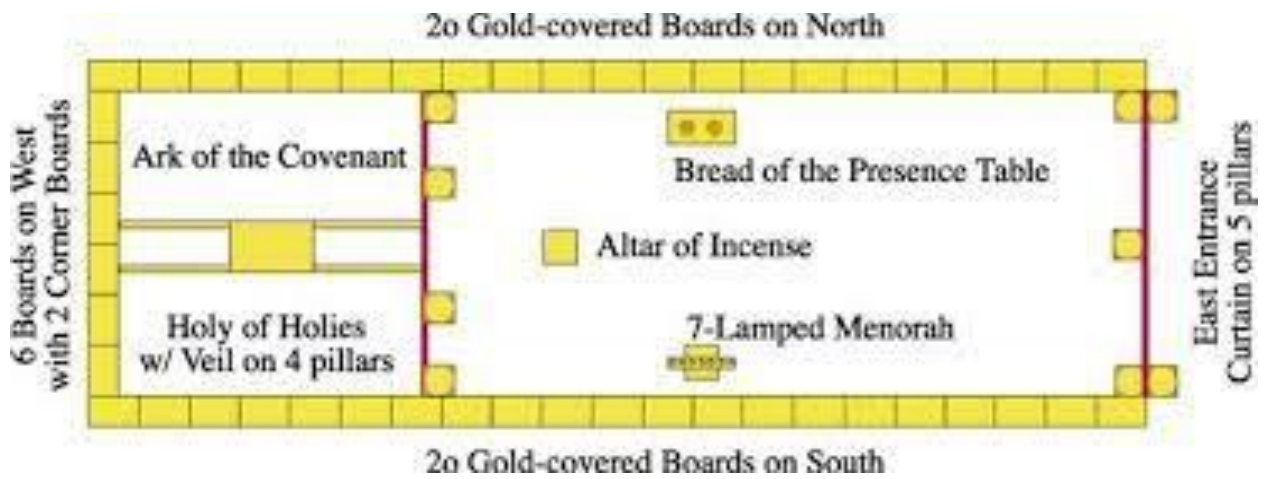
21 Ten cubits was the length of each board and one and a half cubits the width of each board.



/22 There were two tenons for each board, fitted to one

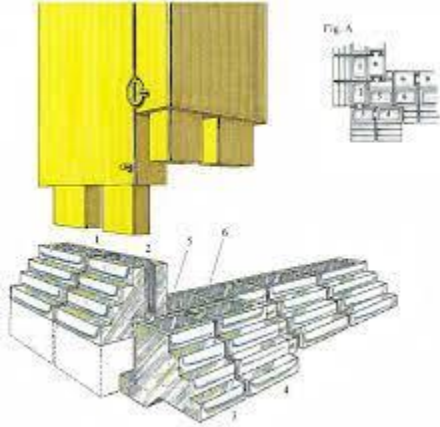
another; thus he did for all the boards of the tabernacle.

23 He made the boards for the tabernacle: twenty boards for the south side;



25 Then for the second side of the tabernacle, on the north side, he made twenty boards,

26 and their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board and two sockets under another board.



/27 For the rear of the tabernacle, to the west, he made six boards.

28 He made two boards for the corners of the tabernacle at the rear.

Let's note something here before we continue. The reason we are looking at each verse again, albeit a bit quicker, is that it is important to note that The LORD gives very detailed very very detailed

instructions concerning the entire work of the tabernacle.

Notice, every pin, every socket, every loop, was accurately defined and positioned accurately. Detailed blueprint by the LORD HIM self.

/There was no room left for man's reasoning. There was some freedom to design certain patterns etc, but remember with the filling of the HS.

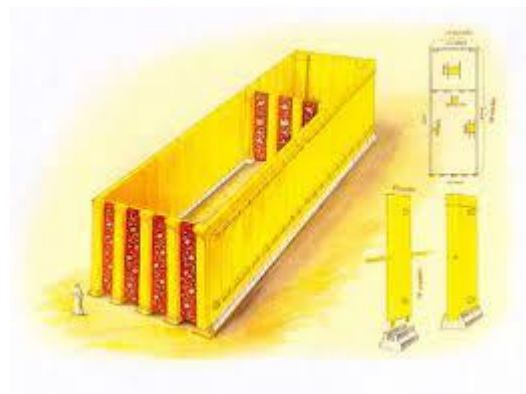
Moses and the others were to make all things according to the pattern showed to Moses in the mountain.

If man had been allowed to design a single pin, that pin would most assuredly have been out of place.

They did, in the matter of size and placement just what they were told, nothing more, nothing less.

29 They were double beneath, and together they were complete to its top to the first ring; thus he did with both of them for the two corners.

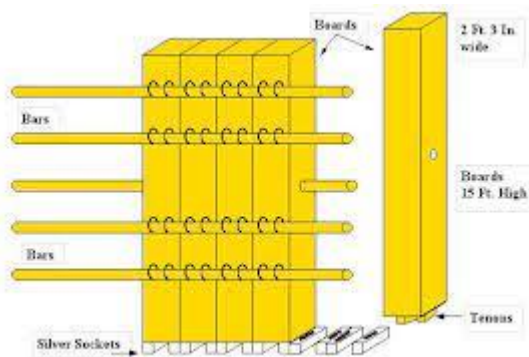
/30 There were eight boards with their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets, two under every board.



Then he made bars of acacia wood, five for the boards of one side of the tabernacle,

32 and five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle (North and South), and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle for the rear side to the west.

33 He made the middle bar to pass through in the center of the boards from end to end.



34 He overlaid the boards with gold and made their rings of

gold as holders for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.

35 Moreover, he made the veil of blue and purple and scarlet material, and fine twisted linen; he made it with cherubim, the work of a skillful workman.

36 He made four pillars of acacia for it, and overlaid them with gold, with their hooks of gold; and he cast four sockets of silver for them.



/37 He made a screen for the doorway of the tent, of blue and

purple and scarlet material, and fine twisted linen, the work of a weaver;

38 and he made its five pillars with their hooks, and he overlaid their tops and their bands with gold; but their five sockets were of bronze.

Well we will continue in CH 37 next. And we will now participate in the LORD's Supper. And I think everything we learn of the LORD Yeshua, the Trinity, the Salvation plan, our so great a Salvation, the more special and personal the LORD's Supper becomes. I truly pray it the same for you.

12 For I received from the LORD that which I also delivered to you, that the LORD Yeshua in the night in which HE was betrayed took bread;

24 and when HE had given thanks, HE broke it and said, “This is MY body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of ME.”

25 In the same way HE took the cup also after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in MY blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of ME.”

26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you

**proclaim the LORD's death
until HE comes.**

**27 Therefore whoever eats the
bread or drinks the cup of the
LORD in an unworthy manner,
shall be guilty of the body and
the blood of the LORD.**