

Exodus 25-31 The Tabernacle: The Place of His Dwelling

Ex 25:8 “And let them make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them.”

Ex. 25:8 “And let them make me a sanctuary that I may DWELL among them.”

How can a holy God come and dwell among an unholy people?

By the ratification of the _____ . **Ex. 24:3-8**

1. By unanimous agreement (vs.3,7)
2. By _____.
3. By a meal.

The establishment of a special relationship b/w YHWH and the Israelites prepares the way for God to come and _____ in the midst of the Israelite camp.

This brings us to **chapter 25** and all the instructions for the Tabernacle.

No event of greater magnitude is recorded in the OT...It is clear from the narrative flow of Exodus that the building of the tabernacle is not an *appendix*, but the _____.

Today we'll see 4 truths about the Tabernacle:

- The Place of His Dwelling Reflects Heaven.
- The Place of His Dwelling Is Signified by the Holy Furnishings.
- The Place of His Dwelling Reveals His Nature.
- The Place of His Dwelling is part of the Ultimate Promise Plan of God.

1. The Place of His dwelling reflects Heaven.

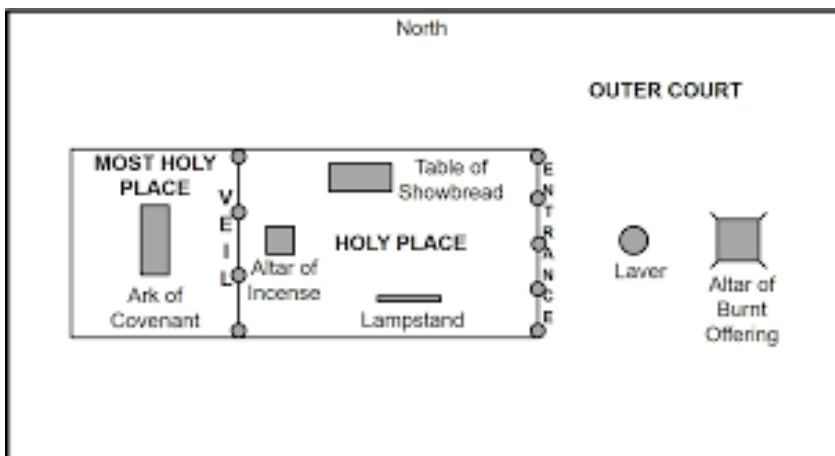
sanctuary (vs8) *miqdash*- Since YHWH is by nature holy, the tent where He dwells is _____ by His presence.

Tabernacle (vs9) *miskan* -

Ex. 27:21 calls it the tabernacle of the congregation.

Num 1:53 calls it the tabernacle of the testimony.

In the same way YHWH's **grace and mercy** serves as the context for His commandments, so His _____ serves as the context for His instructions for the tabernacle. This holy house for the LORD is based on a **PATTERN** given to Moses both _____ and _____. **Heb. 8:5**



2. The Place of His Dwelling is signified by the Holy Furnishings:

Ex. 30:26-30. This part of the tabernacle of meeting, the ark, is addressed _____ as it is of supreme importance.

25:10-16 Ark of the Testimony

25:17-20 The Mercy Seat

I Sam. 4:4 “who dwells b/w the _____”

2 Sam. 6:2 “the LORD of Hosts who dwells b/w the cherubim”

I Chron. 28:2 “a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the Lord and for the _____ of our God..”

Isa 66:1 Heaven is the Lord’s throne, **Ps. 99:5** the earth is His footstool

Ps. 132:7-9

MacArthur “The symbol of God’s special presence is never the prison of His Divine Essence.”

3. The Place of His Dwelling Reveals His Nature

Gen. 3:8-9

Gen. 3:24

WORSHIP is Israel’s chief _____.

In **Ex. 19:5-6** God calls Israel His own special people and a kingdom of priests. As the Levite priests mediated the sacrificial system, bringing the people to YHWH, so Israel was to do the same for the world as a witness nation.

4. The Place of His Dwelling is a part of the ultimate Promise Plan of God.

From Genesis to Eden. From the garden sanctuary to the heavenly New Jerusalem, God has Sovereignly purposed to dwell with His people.

Rev. 21:3-4