

## The Tabernacle (Chapters 25-40)

Much of the book of Exodus is devoted to a description of the \_\_\_\_\_. There are around fifty chapters in the Bible that deal with the subject of the Tabernacle. It became a very important place in the lives of the children of Israel.

There are three views in relation to God, His people and the Tabernacle.

1. A place where God dwells in the midst of His people. (Exodus 25:9)
2. A place where God met with His people. (Exodus 29:44-45)
3. A place where the tables of the law are kept. (Exodus 25:21)

God revealed His plans to Moses for the structure while he was on Mt. Sinai. He gave specific instructions concerning even the smallest details. The measurements, materials and design were clearly given to Moses.

There were to be three sections.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

The Outer Court's measurements would be \_\_\_\_\_ feet long, \_\_\_\_\_ feet wide and the walls were seven and a half feet high. The Inner Court was to be \_\_\_\_\_ feet long, \_\_\_\_\_ feet wide and fifteen feet high.

The Holy of Holies was part of the \_\_\_\_\_ and measured fifteen feet by fifteen feet.

In the Inner Court, there were two rooms:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

God gives Moses the instructions and the preparation begins.

### A. Command to gather materials (25:1-9)

The materials gathered were gold, silver and brass. Then came blue, purple and scarlet and fine linen. These along with animal skins, shittim wood, oil, spices, onyx stones and stones would be used to construct this structure and the items therein.

### B. The Ark of the Covenant (25:10-22)

This was the most important piece in all of the Tabernacle. It was made of shittim (acacia) wood covered with gold. It contained some very important items. The most important items were the two stone upon which the \_\_\_\_\_ were written. Other items would be manna, the rod, and later, the book of the covenant. The lid of this ark was made of solid gold, and the

\_\_\_\_\_ sat on top of it. On top of the mercy seat, there were two \_\_\_\_\_. These were not separate from it, but were of one beaten piece with the mercy seat.

Above the entire ark, dwelled the \_\_\_\_\_ of God. This was all in the Holy of Holies.

C. The Table of Shewbread (25:23-30)

This was also made of shittim wood and covered with gold. Twelve cakes of bread were put on this table, one for each \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel. The cakes were renewed each week. This piece of furniture was placed inside the Holy Place on the northern side.

D. The Candlestick of Pure Gold (26:1-14)

This piece was made of pure gold. It had an upright shaft with three branches extending from both sides of it. The lamps were to be trimmed every morning and evening. They were never to be extinguished all at one time.

E. The Curtains of Linen (26:1-14)

The Tabernacle had two inner curtains and two outer coverings. The inner curtains were known as the Tabernacle (verse 6) and the tent (verse 11). The outer coverings were made of \_\_\_\_\_ skins and \_\_\_\_\_ skins.

F. The Boards (26:15-30)

These boards were to be made of shittim wood and be standing up. They would be covered with gold. There were fifteen bars, five for each side: north, south and west.

G. The Inner Veil (26:31-35)

This was "to be made of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine-twined linen of cunning works." This veil was the curtain which shut off the Holiest of All (Holy of Holies). It was wrought with a \_\_\_\_\_ of the linen.

H. The Outer Veil (26:36-37)

This was the hanging for the door of the tent.

I. The Brazen Altar (27:1-8)

This was the first piece of furniture one would come to as they would enter from the east. The only entrance was on the \_\_\_\_\_ side. It was a place for sacrifice.

There are five utensils associated with it:

1. Pans – Used for carrying ashes from the altar to a specific place outside the camp.
2. Shovels – For picking up ashes and for feeding the fire.
3. Basins – Used for holding the blood of the sacrifice.

4. Fleshhooks – Three pronged instruments used for adjusting sacrifice upon the wood.
5. Firepans – Used to carry burning embers from the brazen altar to the altar of incense.

J. The Curtains for the Courtyard (27:9-19)

K. The Oil for the Light (27:20-21\_

The lamp had to be regularly supplied with olive oil in order to always burn. Oil is a type of the \_\_\_\_\_.