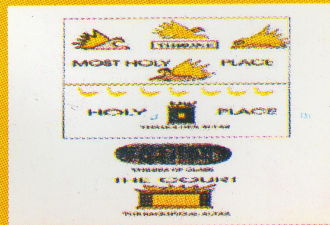
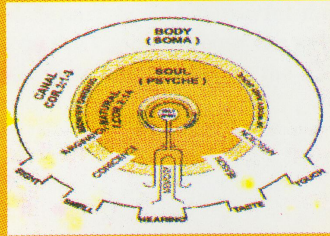
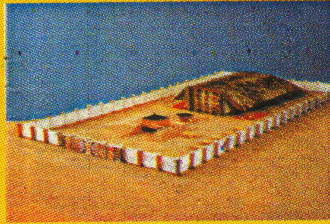


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*"And let them make me a Sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it"*  
(Exodus 25:8-9).

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## **DEDICATION**

I dedicate this book to my Father (God) who has presented a true picture of His Son Jesus, by commanding that the tabernacle be built as a shadow of Jesus Christ. I thank my Lord Holy Spirit for the revelation of our Lord Jesus in the tabernacle. I also dedicate this book to the would-be priests who are the Bride of our Lord Jesus Christ, and for whose cause, this book has been written to open their eyes, and strengthen them as they go through the last crushing before the baptism of fire takes place.

N.B.: The Author has allowed pictures in this book, not because it is the commandment of God, but as an illustration, that those who want to do a thorough study on this book, will be able to have a deep meaning of how the tabernacle looks like. Therefore, this is just to illustrate what God has spoken, and then written in the Bible, for the interest of the readers.



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## **FOREWORD**

Any reader who reads this write-up will agree with me that there is a lot hidden in the contents of the Bible than catches both the eye and the mind. The write-up is an indication of the fact that readers of the Bible seldomly read with understanding its contents, for here is a thoughtful and deep research, a spiritual revelation, portraying the presence of God in the midst of men, the mysteries of man and his Creator and an outward manifestation of inward love which God has for man right from the time of Moses which no man or in deed not many men had ever adverted his or her minds to, till now. We are reminded by the Author of how God had instructed Moses, prior to the coming of Christ, to prepare a Sanctuary in which He would dwell and commune with man. But by the time God was giving that instruction, little did anyone know that the tabernacle of material construction would today, with the taking of flesh by God in Christ, become typified in Christ's bodily, soulish and spiritual presence for the benefit of those whom He calls the Hearers of the word, the Saved, the Evangelical, the Called, the Baptized and the Repented and who know and acknowledge Christ as the Saviour of the world, the Son of God, the Way to the Kingdom and the Good Shepherd. The Author deals on this topic in three parts containing eleven chapters in which he reminds man of his relationship with God, warns him to prepare his body for Christ rather than offer him sacrifices, see the Church as the body and bride of

Christ, the Cross as man's redemption and to be in fellowship with God. Going further through the Chapters, the Author explains of a greater and more perfect tabernacle in Heaven not made of hands and advises us to strive to enter into it only through Christ, that is to be born again through being baptized and presenting our bodies as a living and acceptable sacrifice unto the Lord. The Tabernacle As A Shadow Of Christ, which the Author chooses in treating this topic is quite appropriate and befitting especially when we consider the meanings of the three key words, the tabernacle, the shadow of Christ and align them with the Spirit communing with Material in a mysterious way which indicates the outward manifestation of inward love God has for man. In other words, there is a unification of man in his spirit with God.

The write-up is a food-for-thought and seriously-minded readers are advised to get copies of it for themselves and their friends for a spiritual growth.

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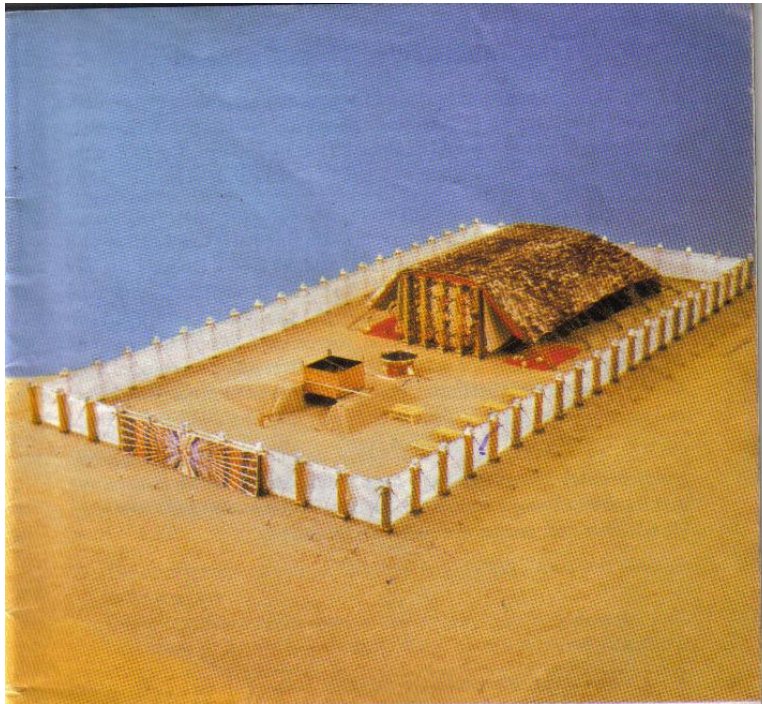
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## PART I

### THE TABERNACLE OF MOSES (EARTHLY TABERNACLE)



## CHAPTER 1

### WHAT IS IT MADE OF AND WHY DO WE STUDY IT?

*"Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God." (Heb.10:7)*

The facilities that made up the Tabernacle are:

	<b>SYMBOL OF TYPE</b>	<b>CHRIST SEEN</b>
1	Gold	His Divine Glory and Nature,. His Deity
2	Silver	His Redemptive Ministry and Power, the Atonement.
3	Brass	His capacity to endure judgment for sin.
4	Blue	His Heavenly origin, the Lord from heaven.
5	Purple	His Royalty, His Kingship, the New Creature, the God-Man.
6	Scarlet	His Sacrificial Ministry and glory of the Cross. Suffering.

7	Fine Linen	His Holiness, Righteousness, of His Sinless humanity.
8	Goat's Hair	His Atonement, Our Sin Offering.
9	Ram's skins dyed red	His consecration to the Father's will, substitution.
10	Badger's skins	His Protection, and unattractiveness to the unregenerate.
11	Shittim Wood	His incorruptible Humanity, the Root, the Branch
12	Anointing Oil	His Anointed Ministry, the Christ of God, the Messiah.
13	Incense Spices	His fragrant life Prayer and Intercession, His Grace.
14	Precious Stones	His Priestly Glories and Perfections on behalf of His people.
15	The Gate	Christ-the Way
16	The Brazen Altar	Christ the sacrificed One, our justification.

17	The Brazen Laver	Christ the cleanser, our Sanctification, our Separation.
18	The Door	Christ-the Truth
19	The Golden Candlestick	Christ the Light, Illuminator, the Word, in
	whom	
		dwells the fulness of the Spirit of God.
20	The Table of Shewbread	Christ our Nourishment, Food, Sustainer, Communion
21	The Altar of Incense	Christ our Intercessor, Advocate, Mediator.
22	The Veil	Christ our Life, Access to God the Father.
23	The Ark of the Covenant	Christ the Fullness of the Godhead Bodily
24	The Ten Commandments	Christ our Law Giver and Keeper.
25	The Golden Pot of Manna	Christ our Heavenly Manna, Food, Divine Health.
26	The Rod that Budded	Christ our Appointed, Resurrected High

27	The Tabernacle as a whole	Priest after the order of Melchisedek. Christ, God's Tabernacle and Habitation with men.
28	The Shekinah Glory	Christ, the Glory of God bodily.
29	The Cloud and Pillar of Fire	Christ our Leader and Guide to Heaven.
30	The High Priest in Garments of Glory and Beauty	Christ our Heavenly High Priest who represents His own in Himself before God the Father

### **WHY WE STUDY THE TABERNACLE**

(1) It is a pattern of heavenly things and also the scale model of Heaven.

*"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us."*  
(Heb.9:24).

(2) It is a glorious picture of Jesus Christ who now lives in the tent of our flesh.

*"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,(and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth". (John 1:14).*

*"For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily". (Col.2:9).*

He also told us to prepare our bodies for Him rather than offering Him sacrifices.

*"Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me." (Heb.10:5).*

(3) It is the picture of the Church, which is the body and Bride of Christ.

(4) It is a picture of complete redemption, the Cross was only the first step to redemption. We should be in constant fellowship with God as Adam and Eve were in order to know, and go through the right steps to the redemption of our purchased possession, which is clearly outlined in the tabernacle.

(5) It has a dispensational meaning, which is God's way of dealing with man.

*".....And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons, and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people, and they said, All that the Lord hath said will we do, and be obedient....."(Exo.24:1-18).*

It is talking of how God gave Moses the written tablets of stones which He sanctified with blood. Israel was used to being slaves because of their long term slavery and when God wanted to speak to them as sons, they chose to hear from Moses, the man chosen by God. this is what happens to believers now. God wants a direct personal relationship with Him through His Holy Spirit (that is not to rule out submission), so that He will speak to us as sons, but we have chosen to hear only through pastors or ministers of God, and because of this, many are deceived.

Moses took the blood and sprinkled it upon the people representing the people's part while the Altar represents God's part, thus purifying the treaty of the covenant. It took Moses six days before he became accustomed to God's glory which represents the number of man. 40 days represents the number he endured trial before God gave him Joshua. God gave Moses a man after his own heart because he served God wholeheartedly and so will God do for you if you serve others righteously.

*"And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua, and Moses went up into the mount of God". (Verse 13).*

Joshua was in the wilderness for 40 years.

*"Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering; of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering....."(Exo.25:2-9).*

God said they should raise an offering to build the tabernacle and He demanded them to give willingly with

their heart. They gave the best of every high costly material that He requested. Moses was to build the tabernacle according to the pattern that God shewed him.

*"And the children of Israel did according to the Word of Moses, and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of Gold, and raiment. And the Lord gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they requested, and they spoiled the Egyptians". (Exo.12:35-36).*

They were told to borrow and when they asked, they were given by the Egyptians. Man was made to give like God did, because God gives without measure. We are to give not only in monetary terms, but also in immaterial things like prayers, fasting and self sacrifice. God said that if they won't

accept My spiritual manifestation, let them make a natural tabernacle, so that if they come to Me there, I will lead them to be spiritual. God found people who will obey and He taught them His ways. The man who built the tabernacle is Bezaleel; meaning under the shadow and influence of God. The closer we come to God, the purer we become. We start in the outer court overlaid with Brass to solid Brass, then Wood overlaid with solid Wood. We have the natural light in the Outer Court. The light of the Holy Spirit in the Holy Place. The Shekinah glory in the Holy of Holies. The tabernacle was used for 400 years and it took 9 months to build the tabernacle the same way it takes 9 months to form a baby like in the case of Jesus. And the

end-time Army of God or the Man-child Company will take exactly 9 years to form, nurture, and manifest to the world by the Holy Spirit who gave birth to the Man-child.

The tabernacle was costly but God provided for it, and that is the principle of God's grace even as the Army of God is being raised through grace and not through the law.

*"Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the Lord put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the Lord had commanded. And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whose heart the Lord had put wisdom, even every one whose heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it....." (Exo.36:1-7).*

Christ was typified in the material of the sanctuary which God told the people to provide. He also imparted His wisdom and knowledge in the people that built the tabernacle. God instructed Moses to build the tabernacle according to the pattern of the true tabernacle in Heaven. If Moses did not make it in accordance with the pattern God gave him, it would not have typified the Lord Jesus which it does typify. Whatever we do, must be done according to the pattern set by God. The book of Exodus is a book of redemption showing Moses as a type of Jesus (ICor.10:6-10). In everything in the New Testament, there is a type of it in the Old Testament, and many a time, all of them were fulfilled in Jesus and they are left as an example for us to



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learn from. One of the reasons why God closed the Red Sea was to make it impossible for the Israelites to go to Egypt, the same way He closes the door of anyone whom He has separated from the system of the world, and who tries to go back to the same system. God did not manifest to Israel in Egypt until they came out of it because they were living among their (Egyptian) gods. This is why many believers fail to see or experience the manifestation of God's power because they are buried deep in the world system. The word Egypt throughout the Bible stands for flesh or the world, and that is why God told His people not to go back there, for if they go, He will not manifest His glory.

The main purpose of the coming of our Lord Jesus is to bring us to God, and it is clearly revealed in the tabernacle. In every facet of the tabernacle, you will see Jesus and in it, you will see what you should be as you see Jesus in the tabernacle. A believer who loves Jesus will see the beauty in the types and shadows because the closer you look at Him, the more you love Him. The more you learn of Him, the more precious He becomes to you because there are hidden treasures in the tabernacle. God spoke to them in the Mountain, and they could not bear His word and so they said they will rather hear Moses. And because He needed to fellowship with His children, God then let them build Him a tabernacle to dwell so that He could show anyone who wanted to find Him how he could.

The furniture teaches us what Jesus is like because He was the manifestation of the Father. God said, *"they are afraid of Me, they don't know what I am like, everytime they look at the furniture, they will understand and know Me"*. Every facet of the furniture was a type of God (i.e. God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost). God said, "do not change anything, don't change the pattern, because if you do, you will change the type and it will not show Jesus. As the priest ministers before each piece of the furniture, he will be changed from glory to glory to be like God. We are the priests today and the tabernacle is a language picture of how to come into the presence of God. Fifty chapters in the Old Testament are about the tabernacles, 43% of the Book of Hebrews are about the tabernacles. This shows how important the tabernacle is to the God given ministry. If you are inside the tabernacle, you will not see outside because of the height and from outside, you cannot see what happens inside. You could only see, if you enter into it through the gate. The white linen curtain was 5 cubits high, and number 5 represents GRACE. So one who is in grace will not see things happening outside the tabernacle (Jesus) and those outside will neither see nor understand what he is passing through until they come in through the gate (Way).



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## CHAPTER 2

### THE OUTER COURT AND ALL THE CONTENTS

*"And thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle; for the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen of an hundred cubits long for one side.....". (Exo.27:9-19)*

In God's business, there is pattern, therefore He gave specific commands on the way it should be. The outer Court which speaks of the Feast of Passover, was 100 cubits long (150 feet) and 50 cubits wide (75 feet). A cubit is about 18 inches, which is from the elbow to the middle finger of the high priest. The Court yard has only one gate and it faces the east. The 100 cubits long of the Outer Court, represents the total commitment of Jesus, and the 50 cubits wide represents the Pentecost. The Gate to enter the Outer Court, is called the Way.

The Walls were fine twine linen-white curtains. The curtains stood between Israel and her God, and you could not see inside from the outside. They were 7.5 feet or 5 cubits high and it separated the holy from the worldly. The white linen represented the righteousness of God. They could not earn righteousness so they had to enter the gate. The tabernacle was built for the redeemed of Israel when they had left Egypt, having passed through the Blood. The Court yard is



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called the tent of congregation and it was the first step to finding the presence of God. You must not perspire or sweat while putting on the white linen or you fall dead. Sweat or perspiring means works. If you have to be the righteousness of God, you don't have to enter into works (i.e.) doing things to please people, human striving, human merit, human achievement, etc. The tabernacle is also a picture of a believer, so if you are an unbeliever, you won't know what is happening until you come in.

### **THE GATE**

In the scripture, sometimes it is called the gate, the court, the door of the Court. It was a beautiful gate. You could not see its beauty by looking at it only, you have to make a personal decision to pass through it. Jesus is good and beautiful, but you will not know it until you come into Him. The tribe of Judah always line up before the gate to enter first into the tabernacle.

### **FIVE FACTS ABOUT THE GATE**

(1) It was the only Way, the only Entrance and very distinctive, just as Jesus was (Jn.14:6, Jn.10:1-10, Ps.100:4).

The gate was very wide, about 20 cubits wide and 5 cubits high. The number 20 represents Redemption, while 5 speaks of Grace. This shows that through grace, God extended His

redemption to the Gentile nations (non-Jewish nations, Rom.11:11).

(3) It was a beautiful gate made of Red, Blue, and Purple. Red signifies suffering (i.e.) dying from the crushed wounds, Blue shows His Heavenly Origin, Purple, made of red and blue thus showing that it took His sufferings and His heavenly origin to make Him King of kings.

(4) The supports of the gate were Wood and four (4) in number. They are a type of the four gospels presented to the unbelievers while the Epistles are for believers. The four gospels are gospels of salvation, picturing Jesus as the only salvation to mankind.

(5) The gate has three openings representing the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

*"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise...."*(Ps.100:4).

In the study of the tabernacle, the gate faces the East to show that when the sun rises, it has to shine on the gate first. Judah means praise and Judah situates outside the gate. We should enter into God's presence with

- (a) Thanksgiving of what He has done in the past.
- (b) To praise Him for what He is doing in the present.
- (c) To worship Him for whom He is.

*"Open to me the gates of righteousness, I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord. This gate of the Lord into which the righteous shall enter. I will praise thee, for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation".* (Ps.118:19-21)



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The only way you enter into the gate today is to be the righteousness of God and have a revelation of righteousness in you. If you are not walking in righteousness, God will not shew unto you, His salvation.

Exodus 27:9-15, clearly states how the outside curtains of the tabernacle should look like. Brass there represents sins that have been judged. In the tabernacle, brass always touches the ground. The curtains represent the righteousness of God. The hangings were of silver, representing redemption. The pillars represent the body of Christ. The redemption that you have received, helps you to hold on to the righteousness of God.

In the Outer Court, all the sacrifices were offered. The Levitical priesthood operated in the Outer Court where multitudes come with all kinds of sacrifices. All the shedding of blood were done in the Outer Court. The priest had to experience the Outer Court before he could enter into the Holy Place. The dimension of the Outer Court was 1500 cubits which speaks of the law age (i.e.) between Moses and Jesus, and that was 1500 years between the law (Moses) and Grace (Jesus). The law age has to be experienced before the Church age could be entered into.

*"But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our Schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith". (Gal.3:23-24).*

It was necessary for the Church to go through the law age because we were born in sin and were for the judgment of God before we became born again. Jesus was the last Prophet of the law age. The Church age started when Jesus was crucified. There are 60 pillars in the Outer Court, all of the measures in the tabernacle are in the division of five, and five is the number for grace, that means everything in the tabernacle talks about the grace of God.

### **THE PILLARS**

The pillars support the curtains to keep it from touching down. The pillars represent the members of the body of Christ. The pillars are not seen from outside and this shows that the true members of the body of Christ are not seen or known by those outside the tabernacle. They are not seen with the natural eyes or known by their world reputation. If you are doing your job in the body of Christ, fulfilling your ministry, don't let anybody come and tell you of the mighty and great works you are doing, because it is not necessary for anybody to know what you are doing in the body.

*"Behold my servant whom I uphold, mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him; he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall he not break, and a smoking flax shall he not quench, he shall bring forth judgment unto truth....." (Isa.42:1-4).*



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This place was talking of how the Lord Jesus will operate His ministry on earth before His first coming. Having done that and finished it, He now expects the pillars who represent the true body of Christ to do the same. And this is what the righteousness of God will cause in your life. You will not go about moving your flap and looking for recognition. God is not interested in your opinion but in His word.

*".....For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth, for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts." (Mal.2:1-7).*

The priest's lips should keep knowledge until God tells him to let it out to people who come for it. God wants His true ministers to keep their mouths shut until He tells them what to say or when to speak. The pillars were made of shittim wood. It was grown in the wilderness and was indestructible thus showing the way we should be. Throughout the history of the Bible, the 60 pillars speak of the 60 men in the genealogy of Jesus, (i.e.) from Adam to Jesus. We the saints are the pillars of the Church and we must uphold the righteous standing of God just as the pillars uphold the curtains not letting them touch down.

### **THE CONNECTING RODS OR FILLETS**

They connect the pillars and the curtains hang on them. They are made of silver, and silver always speaks of redemption and atonement. Silver was used for atonement

money. And the redemption money which was paid for the firstborn of the children of Israel was silver. Joseph was sold for 20 pieces of silver which represents redemption, while Jesus was sold for 30 pieces of silver and 30 is the number for Blood, thus showing that His Blood is the Blood of Redemption.

*"Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle, and the Levites shall be mine. I am the Lord. And for those that are to be redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children of Israel, which are more than the Levites....."*  
(Num.3:45-51).

When Israel came out of Egypt, all their firstborn sons belong to God. They were sanctified and kept apart in-place of the Levites for the service of the Lord. When they became enough that will minister unto the Lord, God allowed the Israelites to carry their children back, and the Levites were then set apart for God.

*"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." (IPet.1:18-19).*

In the Old Testament, the firstborn were redeemed with silver, but now we are redeemed by the Blood of Jesus. The connecting rod speaks of the Blood of Jesus that connects

all the saints together. No pillar could stand alone, it must be connected to other pillars. Just as no believer can stand alone, we are connected to other believers by the Blood of Jesus for strength.

### **THE HOOKS**

The hooks were on top of the pillars and were of silver. They hold up the connecting rods, thus showing that the saints have been atoned for and redeemed.

### **THE CROWNS**

There were crowns on the very top of the pillars also made of silver, and they speak of the saints being crowned of the glory of redemption.

### **THE SOCKETS**

The pillars sat in sockets of brass, and this shows that the sins in our lives must be judged before we can uphold the righteousness of God. Salvation is always grounded in judgment and Jesus took our judgment that we might be saved. The pillar can never touch the ground, if it does, it means that sin has not been judged. The brass is the one that always touches the ground.

### **THE CORDS**

The cords held up the pillars and they speak of the love and grace of Jesus Christ. The cords give stability to the pillars.

*"And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him, and a threefold cord is not quickly broken." (Eccl.4:12).*

The threefold cord that holds us are the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and they keep us from being broken. It takes all the Cords and Pillars to be God's righteousness or to uphold the white curtains.

*"One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple....." (Ps.27:4-6).*

This shows David talking about the beauty there is, in beholding the beauty of God. The tents of Israel were all black, and there are 100,000's of them and in the middle of the tents of Israel, was the beautiful tabernacle. When you stand outside to look at the tabernacle with the white linen curtains, the only thing you will see properly is the gate, you cannot see the inside from the outside. This is so in the true believers today, when the world sees them, they behold the gate and glory of God signifying that the person is born again. They also can see the white curtains that cover the tabernacle which represent God's righteousness that cover the saints (i.e. they will see that the things you do in the past as a sinner, you don't do them any more). But the world cannot know or see what is inside the saints, that is, what they have been taught about Christ that is in their hearts until anyone allows Jesus to lead him/her inside the tabernacle. Even though the white curtain was beautiful, it



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was nothing to be compared with the Holy of Holies. There was no physical light inside there, the only source of light was the Shekinah glory of God.

## **THE BRAZEN ALTAR**



The word "Brazen Altar" is "Nechushah" in Hebrew, and it means the "copper slaughter pit where God and man meet". When you enter into the Outer Court, coming through the gate, the first thing you see is this Altar. It was 7.5 feet by 7.5 feet or 5 cubits long, and 5 cubits wide, and also 4.5 feet which is 3 cubits high. It was 4 square and the largest piece of furniture. It has a physical and spiritual meaning. Everything in the Outer Court, represents the law age, a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ. Because of sin, man cannot come into the presence of God except blood is shed. The brazen altar represents the place where the blood is shed and this shows its importance. The brazen altar was a symbol of the Cross where Jesus shed His blood for mankind. This is the starting place to bring us to the Father. All our needs are met at the Cross (Brazen Altar) and we can only appropriate them in our lives if we accept Jesus as our Lord and personal Saviour.

*".....But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed.....". (Isa.53:1-6).* Jesus has taken all our sins, sickness and diseases away. Diseases mean grieve, sorrow means pains.

This brazen altar was a place nobody liked because of the stinking of the blood shed, like Jesus was, after the horrible beating given to Him. Nobody loved to be like Him and that is why when you begin to work in the Light of Jesus, people

will begin to hate you because you are not like you used to be. He was rejected of men because of His shattered body and head, and was manhandled. He was treated that way for our sakes. He was bruised.

Many people do not want to go through the brazen altar because of the sin of unforgiveness and other little sins like murmuring. In the Old Testament, the people continued in the same sin because of their sin nature, but Jesus came and took away our sins and sin nature. Most people have no desire to go beyond the brazen altar (Cross). The four square shape of the brazen altar, means that it goes to the four corners of the world and it shows that Jesus is for all the world. The wood is made with Shittim wood overlaid with brass.

*"But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day, that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee....." (Deut.28:15-25).*

Jesus has been given onto us to take away our sins, but even at that, when we begin to live in the brazen altar without going beyond there, you are already cursed. When you pray with sin in your heart, you invoke curses upon yourself. But Jesus died and removed the curses for us to the effect that we should not stop at the brazen altar, but go beyond there even to the Holiest.

*"And Moses, made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived". (Num.21:9).*

Jesus in our own time has taken the place of the serpent of brass. The serpent represents sin, to make the serpent of brass, means sin has already been judged. Beheld it, means to look upon attentively, expectantly, respectfully, steadily, unto Jesus for healing and forgiveness of our sins.

*"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life". (Jn.3:14-15).*

As the children of Israel study the serpent of brass to receive healing in their bodies, so do we study Jesus to receive salvation in our souls and spirits. When we look at Jesus, our sins will be forgiven. He said that He who believes on Him, shall be saved. The thing that is hindering us today is sin. Those who believe Him, clung onto Him, rely and bend on Him, will have eternal life. The wood that was on the brazen altar was shittim wood, overlaid with brass, showing that sin has already been judged and forgiven. The wood speaks of the humanity of Jesus. It was indestructible, incorruptible, able to stand all elements of weather. The essence of the brass covering it is to stop heat from passing through the wood and hurting the priest. This represents that it was got from the forest. It was heat in the

daytime, and in the night, the heat cools off. It was burnt on earth not heaven. The altar's horns is where the animal was tied because it was unwilling to be sacrificed. The four horns of the altar speaks of strength and power to give us salvation. He is also the mercy seat and all others completely represented by Him.

*"And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar....."* (IKings1:49-53).

*"Then tidings came to Joab, for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the Lord, and behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him." (IKings2:28-31).*

The above scriptures here, where Adonijah caught hold on the horns of the altar, speaks of mercy seat. The altar here represents the mercy seat, and when he pleaded for mercy, he obtained it. While the second scripture where Joab caught hold on the horns of the altar, is speaking of judgment seat. And when he ran there to seek for mercy, he rather received judgment, because judgment had already been pronounced on him. The horn is life to those who receive Jesus and death to those who reject Him.

The brazen altar has rings on its four corners. It was made of wood, but covered with brass, and staves were used to carry it. When the altar was moved, it was covered with a piece of purple cloth which represents the purple robe they

put on Jesus when they crucified Him. Blue and red made up the purple. After it was covered with purple, they cover it again with a badger's skin.

*".....He hath no form nor comeliness, and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men., a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief, and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised and we esteemed him not." (Isa.53:2-4).*The purple cloth that covered the brazen altar, could have made it beautiful, but because they covered it again with a badger's skin, it became ugly. This was so with Jesus when He went to the Cross, His purple robe as a King would have made Him look beautiful in His attire, but because of the beatings He received, nobody wanted to be like Him. And so the move of God is not beautiful to people outside, but looks rather foolish to them. Everything in the tabernacle was made ugly from outside before being moved. The fire under the brazen altar was lit by the fire of God from the Pillar of Fire and was never allowed to go out. They put it in firepans and carried it along wherever they went. When God saved us, He lit the fire of salvation in us. It is our duty to let that fire continue burning daily wherever we go. At the dedication of the brazen altar, oil was put on it 7 times, blood was also put on it seven (7) times to sanctify it. The Oil was put on it first before the blood. These are the names that refer to the brazen altar in the Bible :-

- (1) The altar of burnt offering
- (2) The brazen altar
- (3) The altar of God
- (4) The altar
- (5) The altar at the door
- (6) The table of the Lord

What was the altar for? It represents the altar where sins are judged and then remitted. It is a place of thanksgiving. It represents the Cross which is the greatest manifestation of Jesus Christ.

#### **THE PANS, SHOVELS, BASONS, FLESH-HOOKS, FIREPANS.**

*"And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels ,and his basons, and his flesh-hooks, and his firepans, all the vessels thereof thou shalt make of brass."*  
(Exo.27:3).

These are called utensils and also made of brass. They are five in number, speaking of Grace while the brass speaks of sin that was judged.

#### **THE GRATE**

The gate is made of brass and is half way down inside the altar. It represents the sin that was judged in Jesus. The five utensils sat on top of the grate.

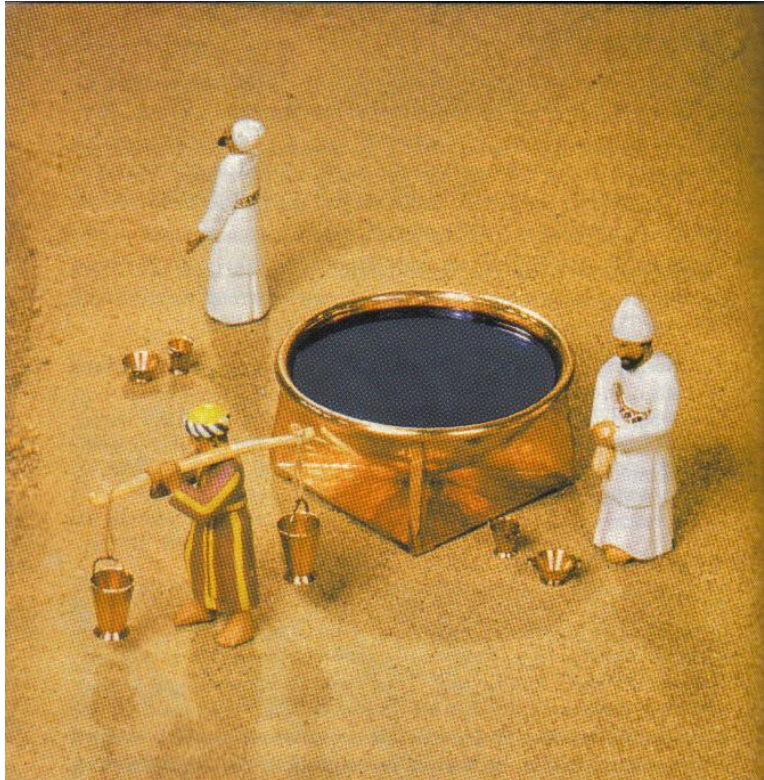


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*"And thou shalt make for it a grate of network of brass, and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof." (Verse 4).*

## THE BRAZEN LAVER



ōKiyorō is the Hebrew word for "Laver meaning Lavatory, which is a place of washing". The Brazen Laver represents my reading my Bible which is washing of the water by the Word. To go to the brazen laver, you have to be a priest. This means that not even the rest of the Levites who were separated from the other tribes of Israel for the service of the Lord could go to the brazen laver because they were not priests. The only way you can be a priest is to be born in the tribe of Levi, from the family of Kohath and also to be a son of Aaron. If not, you are not and cannot be a priest, just as today except you are born again, baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, separated from the world system unto the Lord and are in submission to the Lord through His channel of authority (see my book on Submission to the Authority Channel of God and the Only Way to the Kingdom of God), you cannot be a priest.

The priests washed their hands and feet in the laver and as they do so, they can see by the mirror of the laver what to wash up. If the priests go beyond the laver to minister without washing their hands and feet, they will drop dead. Likewise if we don't fellowship with God by reading our Bibles daily, we die spiritually. They did not touch their hands or feet in the brazen laver, but took the water out and washed. The water in the brazen laver could not be defiled, so also we don't have to defile the Word by allowing sin in our lives as we go into fellowshiping with the Father by studying His word, etc.

*"Thou shalt also make a laver of brass, and his foot also of brass, to wash withal, and thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein....." (Exo.30:18-21).*

The Laver was made of polished brass (like a mirror). Both the brazen altar and brazen laver were made of brass and were in the Outer Court. Both of them deal with sin, but different types of sin. At the brazen altar where sacrifices were made, the blood shed there was for the cleansing of the past sins. When you are born again into the Kingdom of God, the blood shed takes care of the past sins, but as we continue to live from day to day in this sinful world, we become contaminated with dirt (sins). We then come daily to the brazen laver for the washing of the water by the Word. The water is for the sin that you are committing from day to day. Therefore the brazen altar is for past sins, while the brazen laver is for present sins. The brazen altar speaks of the work Jesus did on the cross, and the brazen laver shows the work Jesus is doing through the Word of God. The brazen altar is setting apart from the world and that means we are born into the real Kingdom of God. The brazen laver is setting apart for the ministerial work. The brazen altar speaks of righteousness which is a one-time work done by the blood, while the brazen laver speaks of holiness which is what we walk in daily. The priests had to go to the brazen laver daily to wash themselves, but they did not have to go to the brazen altar to be ordained everyday.

Likewise we don't go back to the altar to be born again everyday, but we must go to the Word of God to be washed clean everyday.

*"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass; for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was". (Jas.1:22-24).*

When you look into the Word of God, you will see where you need to change in your lifestyle. If you don't, you are a forgetful hearer. The brazen laver helps you see yourself in the Mirror so that you could change your lifestyle into the image of Christ. The Word of God is the perfect law of liberty.

*"For now we see through a glass, darkly, but then face to face....." (ICor.13:12).*

*"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." (IICor.3:18).*

*"That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word." (Eph.5:26).*

The above scriptures represent the washing of the water by the Word. This shows what the priest did at the brazen laver. The only one that could wash there is the priest. It was necessary for the priest to go to the brazen laver to

wash himself, nobody could do that for him. Likewise ourselves, it is our duties to find out our sins. The brazen laver represents Jesus as the Word of God.

*"But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth, and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use and prepared unto every good work."* (II Tim. 2:20-21).

The brazen laver gives us the ability to be set apart and sanctified for the Master's work or use. By reading and studying the Word of God, we will be sanctified. If we don't apply the word we read to ourselves for purging, we will never be sanctified. As we read the Word of God, we see those things in our lives that are not clean, pure or holy, and we repent and forsake them. We also see who we are in Christ, and the more we see who we are in Christ, the more we become conformed to that image. The Word is doing its job in us if we continue to read it. It changes us to the image of Christ. As you read, you must see that you are wrong and that God is right. You must see your sin as you read the Bible or it does not benefit you.

*"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (I John 1:19).

When our hearts are right and we read the scripture, the Holy Spirit will convict us if we have sin in our lives, and if we then confess them, the Lord will forgive us.

*"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy word". (Ps.119:9).*

The Word of God will cleanse and sanctify you if you give heed to it.

*"Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." (Jn.15:3)*

We are made clean by the Word of God if your heart is right, (i.e.) if you try to find out where you are wrong through the Word of God, you will be made clean. The cleansing agent is the Word of God.

*"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it might minister grace unto the hearers." (Eph.4:29).*

You must think deep about the Word of God. Whatever Word of God you hear, you must think over it if you are wise. The only thing you must meditate on is the Word of God (Jesus). The only thing the people that come to you need is the Word of God.

The priest could not go beyond the brazen laver without washing himself and he has to make a decision. They could not enter into the presence of God until they have washed themselves. And since our desire is to come into the presence of the Lord and minister in the Holy Place, we then have to make a decision first to be washed daily by the

Word of God. As the priests did, we must do, we must wash morning and evening and everyday too. The brazen laver was called the Most Holy. The washing of their hands represents what they did, and that of their feet represents where they went. God demanded holiness from the priest and also from us. In order for us to enter into the Holy Place and minister to the Most Holy God at the Most Holy Laver, we must be holy.

*"For ye know what commandment we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour". (I Thess.4:2-4).*

The only thing that will cause you to abound in God is the Word of God. If the Word of God you have is not causing you to be prosperous, don't go ahead and prosper at all cost. Because if you do, it will be a snare to you. The will of God for us is not what people talk about or to us, but His will for us is our sanctification, because if we are sanctified, everything we desire is going to come to us. If you are going to minister in the Holy Place, you must be dead to self. If anything causes you to have anxiety, you should repent and pray for you to overcome the situation. God gave us the power and ability in His word to live holy. If you refuse to live holy, you cannot receive His power.

*"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith, prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" (II Cor. 13:5)*

You must examine yourself with the Word of God. You examine every attitude, idea, thought, to see if it is of God. Don't let the spirit of this world judge you but rather judge yourself and repent. We can see how much spiritual death that is in the body of Christ today due to the fact that New Testament priests fail to wash at the Brazen Laver (the Word of God) before entering into the sanctuary (Holy Place) to minister unto the Lord. And when they minister to people, they minister death instead of life because of not being sanctified by the Word of God.

*"Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through thy truth." (Jn. 17:17,19).*

How did Jesus send us into the world? He sent us sanctified so that what we preach could sanctify the hearers. When you are sanctified, everything around you will be sanctified and nothing will bother you. Righteousness came at the brazen altar out of blood, and it doesn't grow. Holiness comes out of the brazen laver, but you have to work for it because faith without works is dead. If you love God, you will read His word and do it.

Something that is of great importance about the brazen laver is that, of all the furniture in the tabernacle, there were measurements for them, except the brazen laver. This shows



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that there is no limit to the extent of your holiness. You can be as holy as you want to be as you read the Word of God and practise it.



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## CHAPTER 3

### THE HOLY PLACE AND THE FACILITIES

The Holy Place shows the first coming of Jesus, and entering into this place which represents the Feast of Pentecost, it has pillars overlaid with gold. The curtains were embroidered blue, purple and red covered with badger's skin outside, and when you look at it from outside, it is not beautiful to look at, but as you go inside, you will see its beauty. The size of the Holy Place was 10 cubits by 10 cubits which is 15ft by 15ft. The tabernacle did not appear beautiful from outside, it looks ordinary because it was covered with ram's skin, but in the inside, it is beautiful. The ram is an animal of consecration, for Jesus consecrated His life unto the Father. He was like every other person but in the inside, he was different. The ram is an animal of substitution, a type of Jesus who consecrated His life first to God and then unto man. He had the goat hair which is black and that speaks of sin offering. Jesus was a sin offering. There we have the tabernacle pattern with Cherubims which look down on the mercy seat at the Holy Place. The tabernacle of God now is man.

*"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them". (Ps.34:7).*



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This is to show how the Cherubims protect us. The boards are covered with gold. The angel of the Lord protects those that fear Him and wrought deliverance for us. Once you enter into the Holy Place, you see gold or wood overlaid with gold. Gold is deity while wood is humanity of Jesus. This shows we do not see Christ anymore in His humanity but in His deity (gold).

## **THE LAMPSTAND OR CANDLE STICK**





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When you enter into the Holy Place, the first thing you will see by the left side is the Lampstand, also called the Candlestick. The Lampstand was made out of pure gold to show how perfectly it has to be. The Lampstand was the only light in the Holy Place and it represents the work of the Holy Spirit in the body of Christ to illuminate the Church of God in the Church age. On the right hand side is the table of shewbread which speaks of communion with the Father and communion with other priests. The table of shewbread also speaks of the Word of Life because Jesus is the Bread of Life. The Lampstand is across the table of shewbread because they are of equal importance. The Spirit of God without the Word of God will destroy you, and this means you will get into the wrong spirit without the Word of God to guide you. Therefore you must be balanced in both the Word and the Spirit.

The gold that the Candlestick was made of, was beaten and put into fire to obtain a pure gold. Jesus is the Candlestick and He was beaten before He became sin for us. We must be prepared for persecutions, accusations, beatings, reproaches, etc., for that is the only way we are to be beaten like Jesus was. There was no size of the Lampstand. The light it gives out shows Jesus as the Light of the world and when He left, He sent the Holy Spirit to be the Light of the world in us.

*"All things that the Father hath are mine, therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you. (Jn.16:15).*

Everything the Father had, Jesus has it and He gave it to the Holy Spirit that He may shew it unto us. The Lampstand now represents the priests who are the replica of the Church (Rev.1:20) and the Oil in it shows the Holy Spirit whom Jesus prayed for Him to come and give us light. And the Oil is now inside the priests.

### **WHAT THE LAMPSTAND (LORD JESUS) DID IN THE HOLY PLACE**

With what He is doing in our lives now, we can see what He did in the Holy Place. In the tabernacle, they did the types while we do it in the anti-type. If the lamp in the Holy Place was not burning, the priest can't see anything, likewise if the Holy Spirit is not in our lives or in anything we are doing, we walk in darkness. The primary work of Jesus is to bring us back to the Father, and once we enter into the Holy Place, we see no more brass or sin being judged but grace. Few will ever know Him in His beauty, most will always know Him as a suffering substitute, smitten of God. But to those who accept the offer to become priests unto the Most High God, there will be a revelation of Jesus. They will see by the revelation that Jesus has already accomplished His work, and that He is the very God who has all the beauty and abundant fruit in Him. He wanted the Light of the Holy

Spirit to show us how He looks like. After sin was dealt with in the Outer Court, He sent the Holy Spirit to finish the work He has started and to lead us to the Father. It is the Holy Spirit that gives light to spiritual things. The Ministry of the priest can only be done by the Holy Spirit, and the Ministry of Jesus came when the Holy Spirit came upon Him. The Holy Place was 2,000 cubits and this speaks of the 2,000 years of the Church age or the 20th Century. The door to enter into the Holy Place is called the Truth and this speaks of the first coming of Christ. The Church did not start until after Pentecost. We have no power until we are baptized with the Holy Spirit.

In the Outer Court, there was no divine glory. The Holy Spirit is the Oil, we are the wig, Jesus was the Lampstand. We control the Light and manifestation of the Holy Spirit seen by the world. The purpose of the Lampstand in us :-  
(a) To reveal Himself (Jesus). The Holy Spirit always reveals Jesus. In the Outer Court, you see the provision, if you walk inside, you see the Provider. The glory of Jesus through the Holy Spirit is that He can be seen in you, without the glory, Jesus cannot be seen in you.

(b) The Lampstand reveals the table of shewbread which speaks of fellowship and communion with God and with other priests (I Jn.1:5-7, Eph.5:10-12). The bread was the Bread of Life and for such reason, we should not fellowship with darkness, because darkness represents death.

(c) It reveals the Altar of Incense which speaks of praise, worship and intercession. Once we are baptized with the Holy Spirit, worship becomes our lifestyle. The Holy Spirit who led you there, will also lead you to intercede.

Worship in the service, sets the place for the anointing.

(d) It was to shine before the Lord.

*"And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices, and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God." (Rev.4:5).*

The Holy Spirit is continually drawing us into the presence of God. The Oil that is in the Lampstand (Jesus) came out of the Lampstand, meaning that Jesus must die before the Holy Spirit can come. It was thoroughly beaten (olive oil), this was because Jesus was beaten. The Holy Spirit is pure. When the Oil in the Lampstand is finished, the Holy Spirit is no more there, and it is very difficult to minister without the Holy Spirit. We must have all the seven lamps burning. Praying in tongues refills your oil (Ref. Jude 20, ICor. 14:4, Isa. 28:11-12). When there is something wrong with the lamps that they don't give out light anymore, it means that the priest has left the Oil to finish or there is something wrong with the wig. When there is something wrong with your life, it means that the Holy Spirit has left you, because you have grieved Him. When the Light is too high, it will cause smoke, meaning that you have to take care of the anointing, lest it will bring pride in you. When you have

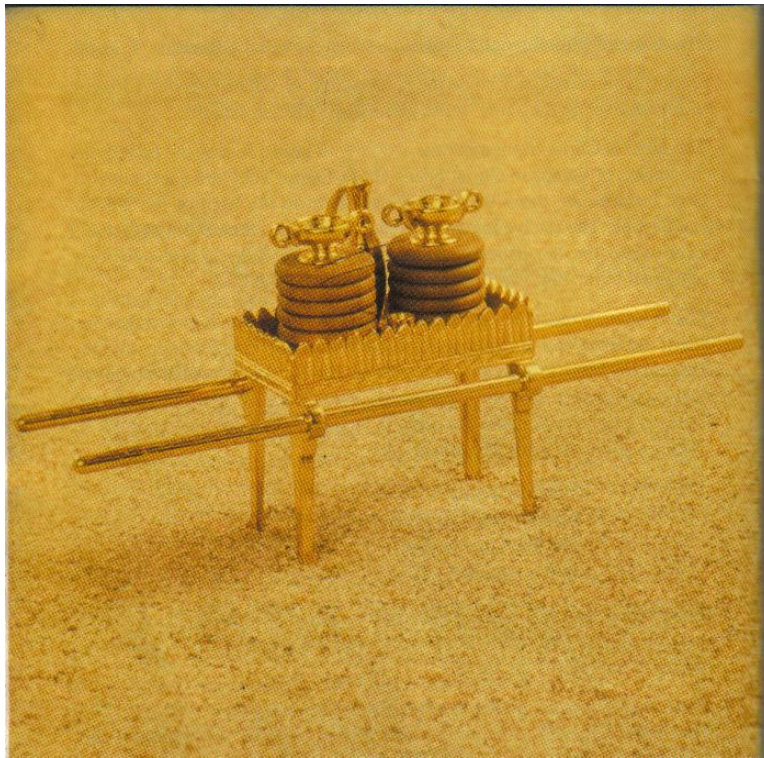
pride in you, the world can't see Jesus in you. The gifts of the Spirit are not for self, but for the body (Church).

*"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick, and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matt.5:14-16).*

*"Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away, and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." (Jn.15:2).*

The wig of the Candlestick has to be trimmed and also changed when necessary so as not to give out bad light. There must be continual adjustment of the wig. The gifts of the Spirit will cause you to fear God and obey Him. The Light is the revealer, when your light gets off, you go back and trim it.

## THE TABLE OF SHEWBREAD



If you are led by the Lampstand, you will come to the table of shewbread. The Holy Spirit will draw you there because it is the communion table and the bread speaks of the Word of God. It is also speaking of communion with God and

fellowship with other priests. Every morning and night, the priests come to the Holy Place to perform their duties, trim the wigs and then burn incense. The priest came to the table only on the sabbaths to eat bread and change or replace it with new ones, and so we do same today. Every morning and evening, we praise, worship and intercede, and weekly, we take holy communion by breaking bread and wine and sharing it among the priests.

### **THE TABLE**

The table is wood overlaid with gold. This is the first place where man and Deity meet. We see the union of the two natures. Jesus is the Table, but we see not His humanity but His Deity. From the table onwards, we see His Deity. He wants our redeemed nature to blend with His own nature. Even though we are men with human flesh, but the closer we move to God, the more Jesus in us will be seen. We are blended by two way fellowship or communion, with man and with God and also from glory to glory. The size of the table is 2 cubits long, 1.5 cubits high, 1 cubit wide. These two pieces of furniture, the Ark of the Covenant and the Table of Shewbread are the only ones with 0.5 cubit measurements. It takes the two to make one, this is when we talk to God and He talks to us. It takes two to have communion, it takes two also to have covenant relationship.



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### **THE PURPOSE OF THE TABLE**

To hold the bread, that is the Bread of Life which is Jesus. Words are spirit, so Jesus had to have a body in order to contain the Word. When He was on earth, He was a body full of the Word of God. In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God, this is Deity. God prepared a body for Himself so that His Word can dwell on earth. The table was a type of Jesus. The bread was not on the wood, but on gold which the table was overlaid with. Real fellowship with the Father must be through Jesus. Our only fellowship with the Father is because of what Jesus did on the cross. Because of the blood He shed on the cross, we have a legal right to fellowship and communion with the Father. There are too many priests in the Outer Court where the children are, but God doesn't want us to be children everyday. He wants us to mature by being led by the Word and the Spirit, with communion with the Father and fellowship through Jesus.

*"Seek the Lord, and ye shall live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Bethel." (Amos 5:6).*

We can have God's kind of life if we seek God with all our hearts and not His provisions only. If we then seek to know Him and obey Him without turning left or right, we have God's kind of life.

*"For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground. I will pour my Spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring". (Isa. 44:3).*

*"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled.(Matt.5:6).*

The Lord said He will reveal Himself only to the thirsty ones and pour His Spirit upon them and will also cause His blessings to fall upon their offsprings. In order to come into the presence of God, you must hunger and thirst for God and His righteousness. You will never be full or satisfied because there is much to be known of God. How hungry and thirsty are you for God ? The bread speaks of the Word of God. Shewbread means to tell forth, show forth, proclaim. The Word tells us how God is like. The bread of His face, the bread of His presence, and the bread of His Life which we have to eat and meditate upon. The Word in the Outer Court is cleansing while the Word in the table of shewbread is for fellowship. Word for healing, deliverance, salvation, etc are for cleansing. When you leave the Outer Court, you meet the Word for fellowshipping (Bread of Life). The priest came in every Sabbath to eat the bread and fellowship with others and with the Father who is behind the Veil. The bread was in God's presence 7 days and the number 7 stands for completeness, perfection, power, joy, patience, love, gentleness, mercy, etc. Everything that God is, was in that bread of Life, for they eat this continually meaning that we should eat of the bread of Life continually.

The Lampstand was across from the table of shewbread, this is because we can't have fellowship or communion without the Light of the Holy Spirit. We must have the Word to back up the Spirit while the Spirit backs up the Word.

### **THE CROWN**

It was made of gold and had an edge or moulden edge. It speaks of Jesus in the double office. He is in the office of the King and a Priest. The mitre of a priest is called the Crown of anointing. Once he puts it on, the anointing goes out. The upper crown was to keep the bread from falling off.

*"And Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground." (ISam.3:19).*

*"And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth, and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you, all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof." (Josh.23:14)*

*"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me*

*void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." (Isa.55:10-11).* Just as the upper crown keeps the bread from falling to the ground, this is how the anointing power of God from a king or a priest keeps the word spoken by him (king or priest) from falling down to the ground (from being unfulfilled). It is also the crown of the glory of God. It is there that you will begin to see the glory of God. In the new tabernacle, our crown is the Holy Ghost. Before we can fellowship at this table, He has to be the Lord of your life, this shows that you must have crowned Him Lord in every aspect of your life. And it means that you must have to be continually led by the Holy Spirit.

### **LOVE**


There was a cup of unfermented wine always in the table of shewbread. The wine Jesus made was unfermented fresh wine which does not contain alcohol, and it finished there. Because most people are satisfied with being born again (Brazen Altar) at the Outer Court, very few are then interested in being intercessors or worshippers, they have therefore robbed themselves of this communion with the Father and other priests. The inner court is God centered, the outer court is self centered. This cup of unfermented wine and the shewbread which the priests eat every sabbath is a symbol of what the Lord told us to do in New Testament as in remembrance of His death and resurrection.

*"For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread : And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, take, eat : this is my body which is broken for you, this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood, this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me." (ICor.11:23-25).*

Just as this was strictly reserved for priests in the Old Testament, it is also reserved for saints who are in the body of Christ. That is, those that are born again, baptized in Water and the Holy Spirit, and have crowned Jesus the Lord of their lives, by being led by His Spirit. When they break the shewbread and drink the wine, they eat the body and blood of Jesus as a symbol of His death and resurrection till He comes.

### **THE ALTAR OF INCENSE**

You cannot come into the Altar of Incense until you know the truth. It is 1 cubit long, 1 cubit wide, 2 cubits high and that is 18inches x 18inches x 36inches. It is 4 square which shows that praise, worship and intercession are extended to the four corners of the earth. It is very small and this means that very few people will ever come here to minister to God. It is made of wood overlaid with gold, and this speaks of humanity and Deity of Jesus. Once you come into the Holy



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Place, all you see is gold because it talks about the divinity and deity of Jesus. We don't see the works of Jesus anymore, we rather see Him, that is why we see gold. There is a golden crown around the top of the Altar of Incense which points to the fact that until we are ready to crown Jesus King of kings and Lord of lords in every area of our lives, we will not be allowed to minister unto God here. It has horns on the 4 corners, and that speaks of the power that is available when we learn to be intercessors. The Altar of Incense is the highest piece of furniture in the Holy Place having been 2 cubits or 36 inches high. This speaks of the fact that it is the highest calling a priest has and that is, to praise, intercede and worship God.

Our first duty as priests is to minister unto God. The second duty is to minister to the body of Christ, and then the third is to minister to the world. Praise, worship, and intercession have no limitation. It reveals the fact that Jesus was a complete praise, worship and intercession before the Father. The incense were burned on the top and the fire was brought in, from the brazen altar. The Altar of Incense stood before the Veil. All our prayers will go through the Altar of Incense and that Altar is Jesus. Everything in heaven sings praise to God. God wants us to worship Him with love. We cannot enter into the Holy of Holies in any other way, but according to pattern. And that pattern has been expressed, but it must come out of Love, for God is Love. We must learn to love the Father and also to love one

another. God had horns placed on the four corners of the altar to show that there is power praise, worship and intercession have in warfare against the enemy. Praise and worship cleanse the heavens so that we can get through to God. Praise and worship take away the authority of Satan over us in all the areas of our lives e.g. sickness, disease, poverty, etc. The more we worship Him, the more the glory comes upon us and the more the gift of the Spirit will manifest.

*"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb.4:16).*

When we praise and worship Him for who He is, all of our needs will be met. When we show Him our love, He will show His love on us from both Himself, and from man. As the high priest stands to minister in the altar to offer incense, they will engulf him. The more you praise and worship, the more the glory of God will engulf you. If you don't minister at the Altar of Incense, then you have to minister in the Outer Court. If you don't praise, worship and intercede, then you can't minister anywhere because you have no power.

*"Now we know that God heareth not sinners, but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth." (Jn.9:31).*

We have to intercede very well for sinners since we know that God does not hear their prayers. Our intercession must



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be of the Spirit of God and according to the Word of God. Your prayers will never violate His word and His character. There are different levels of intercession which is the highest types of prayer.

(1) We can pray in understanding by returning God's word back to Him.

(2) We can pray in the Spirit by using the Holy Spirit.

(3) We can also yield ourselves to the Holy Spirit to intercede through us with groanings, travailing, weeping, roaring, wailing, howling, etc., to birth into existence what God wants. There are people not known about, that are in their prayer closets, and who know the will of God, and are warring against the kingdom of darkness. These people are also birthing into the natural what God has in the spirit realm.



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## CHAPTER 4

### THE MOST HOLY PLACE AND THE SACRIFICES

The Most Holy Place or the Holy of Holies, has the dimension of 1,000 cubits, and it speaks of the Millennial age or the 1,000 year reign of Christ on earth. And to enter into the Holy of Holies from the Holy Place, you must pass the Veil, which is called the Life. That Veil which is flesh represents passing from death to life. The Veil also speaks of the second coming of Christ. The Most Holy Place speaks of the Feast of Tabernacles which is the Ministry of the high priest. The high priest covered the plates in the Holy of Holies and only him could see what was in the Holy of Holies. The Levites and the other Israelites could not see or know what was in the Holy of Holies or Holy Place. As we grow up, as Christians, we will get more revelation of Jesus, but it was not so with the Old Testament Israelites. They could not grow up to know what was in the two places mentioned.

### THE VEIL

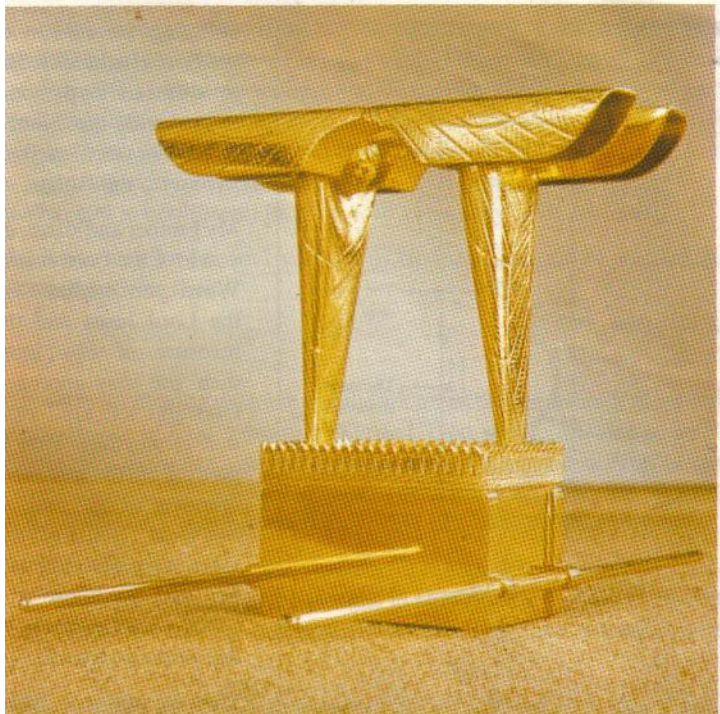
The Veil speaks of the flesh of Jesus. When Jesus died, the veil in the temple was rent which gives access to the Holy of Holies.

*"Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent." (Matt.27:50-51).*

This veil of the temple meant the destruction of the flesh of Jesus. And from the time His flesh was destroyed by death, it became possible for us to come into the Holy of Holies in the spirit realm. In the Old Testament, it was not possible for the priests to enter this Holy of Holies except the high priest who enters once a year, with great atonement made for himself, and for the whole Israel. This was because Jesus has not died (the Veil has not been rent). After the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, the Veil to the Holiest has now been removed for us to enter. We now have access to enter in the spirit, but what hinders us from entering physically is the Veil in our lives which is our flesh. We can't go into the Holy of Holies until we die in the flesh. It is by crucifying the flesh that can cause us to have access to the Father.

When we begin to mortify the deeds of the flesh by walking in love, then we start entering into the Holiest to fellowship with our Father who is LOVE.

## **THE ARK OF THE COVENANT**



Without the Ark, the whole Tabernacle is meaningless. This is where God and man meet face to face. It was just behind the veil. There was no natural light in the Holy of Holies. The only light there, is the Shekinah glory of God.

*"And they shall make an ark of shittim wood, two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof. And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about....." (Exo.25:10-15).*

It was made of shittim wood, but overlaid within and without, with pure gold. It was 2.5 cubits long, 1.5 cubits wide, 1.5 cubits high. The shittim wood it was made of, shows the flesh of Jesus, but to be overlaid within and without, with pure gold, shows that the flesh was not a human or terrestrial body, rather it is the redeemed soulish or celestial body, full of flesh and bones, not flesh and blood as the earthly body is made of. This was signifying the resurrected body which is immortal and being glorified. The Ark of the Covenant, was the only piece of furniture that was moved into the Tabernacle of David and Solomon's temple. It took both the Ark where God resides and the table of shewbread which the priest would come, to make the two way communion.

*"And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all, which had the golden censer, and the Ark*

*of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant . And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercy seat, of which we cannot now speak particularly" (Heb.9:3-5).*

The Ark is a type and shadow of the real thing in heaven. Inside the Ark was the golden pot of manna which speaks of the Bread of Life. Aaron's rod that budded speaks of the resurrection power of Jesus and His authority. The two tables of the covenant speaks of the law which was fulfilled by the Lord Jesus. All these things were inside the Ark and as they were inside the Ark, they are inside Jesus and also inside His priests made in the order of Melchizedec.

*"Melchizedec; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace, without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life, but made like unto the Son of God, abideth a priest continually." (Heb.7:2-3)*

*"For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens." (Heb.7:26).*

This shows that the priests made in this order have all these things inside the Ark, in their spirits. There was Noah's Ark which speaks of safety, peace, security and deliverance from the flood, and Moses' Ark speaks of safety, security and deliverance from Pharaoh who was a type of the devil. The

Ark of the Covenant speaks of safety, security and deliverance into the new age. It delivered us from the law age into the age of grace. We are safe in Jesus and have been delivered from spiritual death. We now have eternal security.

### **THE MERCY SEAT**

The word Mercy Seat is a Greek word, "HILASTERION" meaning Atonement or Propitiation.

*"And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold, two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof." (Exo.25:17)*

It was made of pure gold. It was 2.5 cubits long and 1.5 cubits wide. It is called the atonement cover because this is where the atoning work of Jesus Christ did His work. This is also where the mercy of God is extended to us. This is a type of the blood of Jesus which is constantly pleading for mercy. Atonement means to forgive, pardon, be merciful, be cleansed. The Mercy Seat was refuge or shelter from the judgment and wrath of God, but it was also where God manifested His power, presence and glory. It is only for those who are in covenant relation with God.

*"Jesus saith unto her, touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father; but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father, and to my God and your God." (Jn.20:17).*

He had to go to heaven and put the blood on the Mercy Seat. If He had allowed Mary to touch Him, then His blood would have been contaminated and judgment would have fallen on us. The high priest went in all alone, nobody will see him or touch him so that God will listen, hear and receive the sacrifice. The voice of God can only be heard through the blood. God has nothing to say to man apart from the blood of Jesus Christ. We got all these by grace, we cannot work for it. Because of the blood, our sins were not only pardoned, but acquitted as if it was never committed. We in our own human body can't handle even half of the Shekinah glory of God.

*"For now we see through a glass, darkly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then shall I know even as also I am known." (ICor.13:12).*

The revelation that God is giving us now is as through a dark piece of glass because we can't receive it all. The clearer your vision is, the less God will allow you to speak to others because they will not be able to see it the way you have seen it. Jesus has so many things to tell us today, but He cannot because we will not be able to stand or bear them. Just as we see eclipses in a piece of dark glass because it is too bright that it might destroy our eyes. All that Jesus has, will destroy us if He gives all to us right now. If God manifests His glory now, we will all die because our bodies have not been crucified.

### **TABLES OF STONE**

*"And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony were in his hand, the tables were written on both their sides, on the one side and on the other were they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables." (Exo.32:15-16).*

*"At that time the Lord said unto me, hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood." (Deut.10:1).*

It was hewed by Moses from a stone and the law was written on both sides of the stone by the finger of God. God knew that Moses will break those tables of stone like he did to the first one, therefore he (Moses) was told to prepare an ark of wood, and also to put the law inside the ark. This was to show that no man could keep the law without Christ. The wooden box that was made to carry the law, shows the Lord Jesus in His humanity. For the wood to be overlaid with gold, both within and without, speaks of the deity of Christ (i.e. Christ Jesus in His glorified body). The law is in the Ark with the Mercy Seat on it. This shows that if the Word does not come through Christ, the golden Mercy Seat will kill you. It is now the letter and the letter killeth. The word that does not come through Christ kills. The Spirit gives life.

*"Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament, not of the letter, but of the Spirit, for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life." (II Cor. 3:6).*

If the Word does not come through Christ, it becomes the judgment seat. The letter word that was engraven and written in stones, was the ministration of condemnation and death. While the word that comes through Christ (His Spirit) is the ministration of righteousness.

*"It is the Spirit that quickeneth, the flesh profiteth nothing, the words that I speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are life." (Jn. 6:63).*

The Word that does not come through mercy and grace will kill. The letter killeth but the Spirit gives life.

### **CHERUBIMS**

*"And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make it, in the two ends of the mercy seat. And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end, even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof....." (Exo. 25:18-20).*

They were two cherubims made of gold. They were made at each end of the mercy seat which was on top of the ark. They covered the mercy seat with their wings and their faces look one to another. They are guarding it. Cherubims are the guardians of the holiness of God pertaining to the work of redemption. After Adam and Eve were driven from

the Garden of Eden in (Gen.3:24), God put the Cherubims and a flaming sword that turns everywhere to guard the holiness of God. They cover the Tabernacle for there are Cherubims woven into it and into the Veil.

*"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." (Ps.34:7).*

The Cherubims are guardians to the holiness of God in us, just as the Angels of God are encamping around us. They are guardians of God's throne room and God's throne room is in our spirits.

### **SHEKINAH GLORY - THE ONE WHO DWELLS**

Shekinah Glory speaks of the glory of God, for God is Light.

*"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is Light and in him is no darkness at all." (1Jn.1:5).*

God is full of Light and there is no darkness in Him at all. Light is the only thing in entire realm of nature, that is not affected by other forces, circumstances, situations or conditions, and Light never changes. Light is yesterday, today and forever. It travels the same speed anytime. It has many facets of colour. In it, all that we need to exist is found, so is God. Electricity is a type and shadow of God. The Ark represents where God dwells, He chose to dwell

there in David's tabernacle, in Solomon's temple, and inside us. The Tabernacle was very costly in building, but the life cost of the Lord Jesus cannot be compared with the cost of building the Tabernacle. Jesus' life when He was on earth was so precious to God, just as our life is very precious to God now.

### **THE SACRIFICES**

The word "Sacrifice" in the Bible always refers to the shedding of blood, while the word oblation has nothing to do with blood. The word offering may either mean sacrifice or oblation. There are five sacrifices that were made at the Brazen Altar, and only two of the sacrifices were made for sin.

*"For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come....." (Heb.13:11-16).*

The bodies of the beasts used for sacrifices were killed and burnt outside the camp, but their blood were collected by the high priest for the atonement of sins inside the sanctuary. Jesus in the same way was crucified outside the city so that His blood will sanctify His followers. Likewise,

the righteous are always put outside the city or the camp, and they are not wanted. They are excluded from the affairs of the people (family, denominations, government, etc.). But they seek for a city (New Jerusalem) whose builder is God. The power behind any family, church, schools, government, etc., that is not built on the Rock is of the devil, and the righteous are thrown out of those places.

The greatest sacrifice we can now make is that of the fruit of our lips - praising God continually, giving thanks to His name, doing good and communicating. God is well pleased with the sacrifices of praise. It took five offerings to equal what Jesus did on the cross. The offerings were in manner of approach to God. The book of Hebrews and the rest of the Bible were written to people who understood sacrifices and offerings. You could not come to the Lord without a gift or offering. All of the offerings or sacrifices in the Tabernacle were a type and shadow of Jesus offering up Himself. Only the last two offerings that they made were for sin. Atonement was a covering for sin and at the same time a reconciliation back to God. The key to all offerings or sacrifices was the shedding of the blood except the Cereal Offering. Everything is by the blood that was shed on Calvary. The Cereal Offering is called the meat offering in King James Bible. The Cereal Offering was offered with another offering where blood was shed. You cannot offer it alone.

*"For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul." (Lev.17:11).*

It is because of the above reason that the Cereal Offering has to be offered with another offering in which blood is shed. The holiness of God demands a sacrifice and there can't be an acceptable sacrifice unto the Lord without blood. The only way we can come to the presence of God is by holiness and this is through the blood of Jesus. In the Old Testament God told Moses what to use for sacrifice, but in the New Testament, God supplied what we need to sacrifice unto Him, and that is the blood of Jesus. That is why He is not pleased with us when we refuse to sacrifice unto Him. He has given us everything and so as He directs us on what to give, we must give it to Him.

There are five types of offerings and they are :-

- (a) The Burnt offering
- (b) The Cereal or Meat offering
- (c) The Peace offering
- (d) The Sin offering
- (e) The Trespass offering

There are also two kinds of offerings and they are :-

- (a) Sweet Savour offerings which says, I am in covenant and my life belongs to God.
- (b) Non-Sweet offerings

There are certain animals that are used for offerings.

- (a) A Bull, an Ox or a Ram - They represent service and strength
- (b) A Lamb or Sheep- They represent meekness, gentleness, self surrendering or self sacrifice.
- (c) A Goat - This represents despised and rejected one.  
The turtledove or pigeon was used for the poor people.

### **THE BURNT OFFERING**

The word "Burnt", which is "OLAH" in Hebrew, means to ascend or go up to God. This offering was made for the whole nation morning and evening. It was called a burnt offering also, because the fire was never allowed to go out.

*"And the Lord spake unto Moses saying, command Aaron and his sons saying, this is the law of the burnt offering : It is the burnt offering, because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it....." (Lev.6:8-13).*

It is a non-sweet offering that speaks of consecration. "I want to give my life to God". The animal you use in this offering depends on your position in the society. The offering laid on fire all night long. It is one thing to be born again and another to give or surrender your life to God. The people paid money for their offering. This is because whatever you give to Him that does not cost you something is not worth giving. What they gave to God represent their best and it was a voluntary offering. The gift was important, but the giver was more important. God wanted them to give

themselves. Israel was a covenant people, They identified with their animals by putting their hands on it saying, "I die to self".

The priest will take the blood and sprinkle it on the altar. The animal was flayed and burnt completely on the altar. They washed the intestines (guts) and burnt it on the altar. Jesus volunteered to be the burnt offering when He was in the garden.

*"Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. (Luke 22:42).*

Here He was volunteering to be the burnt offering for us. He had every right to refuse being offered and may be, run away, but He volunteered to give up His life that we might be saved. You must recognize that He was your substitute and that the life you live, you ought to live it for Him (the Lord). We must understand substitution or have a revelation of Jesus being our substitute. The greater you have the revelation of the fact that Jesus is your substitute and surrender willingly to His will, the greater you will be blessed. The Israelites had the revelation that the animal on which they left their hand print was their substitute.

*"Then released he Barabbas unto them, and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified." (Matt.27:26).*

*"Then Pilate therefore took Jesus and scourged him." (Jn.19:1).*

He was beaten and this means that His flesh was flayed. Because Jesus offered everything on the cross, we can be washed inside and our bowels become that of mercy and compassion. The blood that was shed must be sprinkled in our hearts and consciences. Wherever the blood went, your own blood also went. It is only because of the blood of Jesus that we do have a legal right to come to God. The life of the flesh is in the blood, therefore wherever my blood went, there I also went. When Jesus died, He died in my place and so it was my blood He took to the heavenly mercy seat and so have I paid my required price for sin.

#### **THE CEREAL OR MEAT OFFERING**

It is called a Meat Offering in the King James Bible. The "Cereal", which is "MAZOWN" in Hebrew means the gift of an inferior to a superior. This offering says, "I offer my service to God. And the only way you can give your service to the Lord is after you have given yourself (your life) to Him. This offering must be offered with another offering and it is offered out of love. It was made out of firstfruits of fine ground flour, and it was beaten to make it fine. They poured oil over it which represents the Holy Spirit. They put salt in it as a preservative to seal the covenant. Jesus was the Salt of the world when He was on earth, now we are the salt of the world. All these offerings represent us. Our grinding through persecution, temptation, etc. is the grinding of the flour. If you cannot stand persecution, you

cannot be anything great for God. It takes persecution to do great things for God. Be ready to get persecutions because of the Word that is being sown in you. It had no leaven in it. Leaven represents self, sin, the flesh - which means complaining and grumbling.

It had no honey in it, it was naturally sweet. The reason why they could not put honey in it is because honey will corrupt, it cannot stand fire. They put frankincense in it because frankincense gives their value when they burn it, but if you burn honey, it will corrupt. "Frankincense" speaks of intercession, praise and worship and this shows that effective service must be surrendered with prayer. Standing in the gap (intercession) will put you into fire, and that is why they put frankincense in Meat or Cereal offering. The priest burnt part of it and kept part for himself. It was made every morning for the nation. It could be offered uncooked or baked and with roasted grains.

### **THE PEACE OFFERING**

This is the last of the sweet offering which says, "I offer up my praise." It was a praise offering meaning sacrifice of praise. It is a voluntary offering because God did not ask them to offer it. It can only be done when you have done the other two offerings. You offer it because of something God has done for you. You offer whatever animal you have available, and you identify with your animal. The priest removes the fats and burns the rump of the animal while the

rest of the animal was eaten by the people who brought it. As it is burnt, if the whole smoke went up, it means the offering was acceptable to God. However God made the things for the offering available and taught the people how to offer them, but did not demand from them to offer them. The same way, most Christians don't worship God inspite of the fact that He has provided things we will use in worshipping Him. Just as it was in the Old Testament, He does not demand this offering from us. You can be saved and yet not praise, worship or pray to God. This offering comprise of (a) The heave (b) wave offerings.

**THE WAVE OFFERING** :- In the wave offering, they will take the breast section of the animal which the priest will give them and wave it to the Lord. They will say, "all the love of God is upon us from the beginning of the world", by the waving of their hands. Breast means Love while EL-Shaddai means The Almighty God or the Big Breasted God.

**THE HEAVE OFFERING** :- In the heave offering, they will take the shoulder of the animal and then heave it before the Lord and by that, you are saying, "God is Lord over all. God is the Head of all Government because shoulder represents government. And that means "the government shall rest upon His shoulder." The offering of praise and thanksgiving should be given to God every time, everyday.

### **THE SIN OFFERING**



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*"If the priest that is anointed, do sin according to the sin of the people, then let him bring for his sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock without blemish unto the Lord for a sin offering. And he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the Lord, and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before the Lord....." (Lev.4:3-35).*

This is a non-sweet offering which speaks of motives and attitudes. It speaks of the sin nature of the children of Israel. They had a sin nature, but we the New Testament believers don't have a sin nature, because our sin nature was washed away when Jesus shed His blood on the cross. Nobody could be made righteous in the Old Testament because of sin nature. Your sin offering was according to the position you held in Israel. If a priest would sin, he will take a bullock or if the whole congregation would sin, they will take a bullock (i.e.) a male bullock.

The higher your position, the higher your sin offering because if a priest sins, he will cause the people to sin. If a higher person, e.g. a king sins, he will use a male goat, but if a poor or common man sins, he will use a female goat. An offering had to be available to all, it does not matter what position one is, God makes available the offering just like today. God always provides the offering. The priest will sprinkle the blood seven times in the Holy Place. All of the fats on the animal were burnt on the altar. The fat represents God's part and it gave protection to the animal. The fat

gives protection to the animal because it supplies the energy needed by the animal at the time of lack or starvation. That is why it was God's part. The body or carcass of the animal offered for sin was burnt outside the camp. There should be no sin in the camp just as Jesus was sacrificed outside the city. It was burnt in a place called " The Place of Reproach." *"For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate."* (Heb.13:11-12).

Jesus suffered outside the gate of the city so that His blood which is meant for our sanctification will not be defiled. All sin is sin and it must be dealt with, but in Israel's days, they had sins that could not be forgiven. Today, because of Jesus, all sins are forgiven.

- (a) Rebellion - Deliberate rebellion
- (b) Witchcraft
- (c) Occultism
- (d) Adultery
- (e) Murder

These were the sins that could never be forgiven in the Old Testament.

### **THE TRESPASS OFFERING**

It is a non-sweet offering that deals with sin, and not sin nature. And it was for a special wrong where you have offended other people. Your offering was according to what you did to your neighbor. If you have sin, you will offer the Sin Offering, the Trespass Offering and the Burnt Offering, but if you don't have sin, you will offer Meat or Cereal Offering, Peace Offering, Sin Offering, Trespass Offering and Burnt Offering. The Peace offering is always the last that could be offered. You could never have peace, or praise until you have offered the others first. They must be fulfilled in your life first. After you have brought your offering to the priest, you will have to make restitution to the one you trespassed against with an increase of twenty percent.

....."*And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.*" (Luke 19:1-8).

Zacchaeus knew he had taken from the people by false accusation and that if he fails to make restitution to those he has trespassed against, his salvation wouldn't have been complete. Therefore he promised to pay back even more than he took from them as stated in the Bible.

*"But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed."* (Isa.53:5).

Jesus paid more than His life. When He died, Jesus paid back to us as if He was a thief. He paid for four different offences which we committed.

*"And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."*  
(Heb.10:17).

Jesus paid the price for our sins and iniquities that they cannot be remembered any more.

*"Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered."* (Ps.32:1).

It is talking about transgression and sin. Transgression means evil deed while iniquity means sin nature that is in us which opposes God.

*"And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any, that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses."* (Mk.11:25-26).

You must first of all forgive those that trespass against you before you receive forgiveness from God. This shows that you must offer your Trespass offering so that your Sin offering will work.

*"Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee : Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."* (Matt.5:23-24)

You must offer your Trespass offering to those whom you have offended before you offer your Sin offering. If not, your Sin offering will not be accepted.

*"And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David : Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.....And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves....." (Matt.21:9-15).*

Jesus could not heal until He has cleansed the temple, this is why when He went into the temple, He threw the moneychangers and the seats of those who sold doves. This is so with us, before you heal, you must cleanse the temple of your body by offering the Trespass offering to anyone whom you have offended, and then getting forgiveness before you offer your Sin offering. The priests were completely displeased with the Lord Jesus because He was entering into the city when all the animals were brought into the sheepfold for thorough examination before sacrifice. The animals meant for sacrifice have to be examined for four days before being offered to God. Jesus therefore, as the true Lamb of God meant to be sacrificed for our sins, went down from the mountain into the city to be examined for four days by the Pharisees, Chief priests, etc., before He was crucified.

Since it was the custom of the Jews for little children to be shouting Hosannah ! Hosannah ! because of the animal that was going to be offered, the multitudes likewise, were waving their palm branches and shouting Hosannah to the Son of David, Hosannah in the Highest. The word Hosannah means salvation now. Their custom was that the people should be shouting Hosannah to the sheep coming down to the sheepfold from the mountain, and this means that their salvation is in the sheep that was going to die in their stead. This provoked the religious leaders when the people began to say that their salvation now is in Jesus (i.e. their salvation has been fulfilled in Jesus), and they sought to stop the people from singing it, if Jesus fails to stop them Himself. But Jesus warned that if this people should be stopped, He will command stones to take over and start praising Him. He said this, because He knew that what the people were saying, was a revelation from God and nobody should stop God from fulfilling His plans.



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## CHAPTER 5

### THE MINISTERS IN THE TABERNACLE AND THEIR DUTIES

To be a minister in Moses' Tabernacle, you must come from the tribe of Levi. They were chosen and set apart from the other tribes in the place of the firstborn among the children of Israel. The Levites lived among the people. The other tribes paid tithes of all the firstfruits of all that they received to the Levites. Those who were priests among the Levites were set aside, but the other Levites that are not priests were not set apart. The other Levites who were not priests, and the priests, shall have no part nor inheritance with the rest of the Israelites. The Lord is their inheritance and they shall eat the offering of the Lord made by fire. You must attain as from twenty-five years old and upward of fifty years old before you should be a worker in the Tabernacle, but for a priest, you must attain thirty years before you can become a priest. The Levites sang, played the musical instruments, prepared the sacrifices and the graves, etc. Levi had three sons and they are Kohath, Gershom and Merari. All of them were ministers unto God.

*"This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation ; about the most holy things : And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come,*

*and his sons, and they shall take down the covering veil, and cover the ark of testimony with it, and shall put thereon the covering of badger's skins, and shall spread over it a cloth wholly of blue and shall put it in the staves thereof....." (Num.4:4-15).*

The family of Kohath were in-charge of the furniture and all the holy things, but they were not allowed to touch the holy things or to go in and see when the holy things are covered, lest they die. It was only Aaron and his sons that could go in and cover all the vessels that are in the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place.

*"This is the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve, and for burdens : And they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, and the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the badger's skins that is above upon it, and the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation...." (Num.4:24-28).*

The family of Gershon were in-charge of the hanging of the curtains of the tabernacle. They cover the badger's skins that is above, they are also in-charge of the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, etc.

*"As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their families, by the house of their families. And this is the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tabernacle of the congregation, the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and sockets thereof....." (Num.4:29,31-33).*



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The family of Merari were in-charge of the boards of the tabernacle, they were in-charge of the bars and the pillars, etc. Only the priest could cover what was in the Holy Place, not even the Levites could do that. The high priest covers the plates in the Holy of Holies and only him could see what was in the Holy of Holies. The Levites could not go beyond the Brazen Altar in the Outer Court. Though the Brazen Laver is also in the Outer Court, they could not go there too, neither could they enter the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place. They could only minister to the congregation at the Brazen Altar which is in the Outer Court.

### **THE PRIESTS**

The word "PRIEST" means to "DRAW NEAR". In the Old Testament, it was necessary for a priest to prove his genealogy, (i.e.) that he was from the family of Aaron and they have to be perfect in their bodies, eyes, nose, etc. These have to be shaped like those of Aaron. No reformed person could be a priest. The same way we are to prove our genealogy that we are from the family of the Lord Jesus. It was also necessary for a priest to attain to a certain age, and that is 30 years. Jesus had to attain to the age of 30 years before His Ministry began in obedience to the Levitical law. When the priest came to the Tabernacle to become a priest, he had to wash his hands and feet in the laver which is filled with water and kept between the tent of the congregation and the altar. He was given a white linen robe by the high



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priest to put on, he was anointed with a special type of oil that will be poured on his head. The Oil represents the Holy Spirit. He then presents his offering to the Lord (1) Sin offering (2) Burnt offering (3) Meat or Cereal offering (4) Peace offering (5) Consecration offering.

On the Consecration offering, he lays his hands so hard as to leave a mark of his hand on the animal thereby identifying himself with the animal as his substitution, so that when the animal is killed, it is him that is killed. That speaks of the death of our Lord Jesus on our behalf. When the animal is killed, it is a symbol that the priest has no life of his own anymore. He has been bought with a price and that is the lamb. Likewise when Christ died on the cross, He died in our place and as such we have no life of our own because we are purchased with the blood of Jesus. The blood of the ram will be put on the right ear of the priest, the thumb of his right hand, the big toe of his right leg. This represents that he will hear aright, do aright, he will go well and the priest will say the animal has died for me that what I hear, do, etc. is affected by the blood on my ear, big thumb and big toe. What is done for the priest then in the natural, the Holy Ghost has done them for us in the spiritual. We must learn to stop talking at stories in the Old Testament as merely concerning the Jews, and therefore have nothing to do with us. They are a symbolic picture of a spiritual truth and we must learn about them ourselves as symbols of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*"And hast made us unto our God kings and priests, and we shall reign on the earth." (Rev.5:10).*

Jesus made us to be priests unto God through the blood He shed on the cross.

### **THE CLOTHING OF THE PRIESTS**

Whenever the priest is in service, he always wore white linen which speaks of righteousness. This garment runs down his feet and he also wore underneath the white linen, trousers. Every garment that touches his flesh was white linen and this speaks of holiness of the flesh. The priest was forbidden to sweat and that is why he wears linen, because linen is very cool. If he will sweat, he will die because sweating represents dead works, human striving, human achievement, etc.

*"For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief." (Heb.4:10-11).*

If the priest sweated, it means he has not entered into God's rest because he has done everything himself, and if we also should enter into works in our ministries or anything in our lives, it means we have not received what God has for us and that is His righteousness (grace). In fellowshiping with God and praying unto Him, we don't need to be in works

because He has done everything for us. That is why the priest wore the white linen garment. The priest must rest in the Lord and not be in works.

*"They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins, they shall not gird themselves with anything that causeth sweat."* (Ezek.44:18).

Breeches are trousers. He wore a white coat called the garment of salvation and that speaks of holiness of life. He wore aside this garment, a sash or girdle which speaks of strength for service. None of his hairs could be shown, therefore he wore a hat or turban. A hat in Hebrew means to exalt or lift up which means subjection. Only those who are subjected to God, are the exalted ones.

*"His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were as a flame of fire."* (Rev.1:14).

The hat of the priest is white, and it shows white hairs which speaks of wisdom. The priest wore no shoes, and shoes speaks of authority. This means that they were under the authority of God. The priest had no lands or inheritance, and this is a symbol of forsaking all.

### **THE DUTIES OF THE PRIEST INSIDE THE HOLY PLACE**

(1) To burn incense on the Altar of Incense, and this represents praise, worship and intercession. Before he goes to burn incense, he must pass through the brazen laver and

wash up his hands and feet or he dies on entering into the Holy Place. Likewise if a Christian goes onto God to praise, worship or intercede without reading and studying the Word (washing of water by the Word), he dies spiritually like the priest, and God will not receive his praise. Therefore we must spend time to read and study the Word in order to be alive in the Spirit so as to minister effectively in the Holy Place.

(2) He will cleanse and trim the lamps and will fill the lamps with oil. If the priest does not clean the lamps, the lamps will not burn, that means if we don't wash ourselves by the Word, the Holy Spirit will not manifest in us. We must fill ourselves with the Holy Spirit. The priest trims the lamps to give the proper light, if he does not trim them, there will be smoke. And this means that we should keep our lives at balance by reading and studying the Word of God.

(3) To change the shewbread and also eat the shewbread. When the priest eats the shewbread, it represents fellowship with other priests and God the Father. The shewbread was changed weekly, and this shows that we must fellowship with the Father and other Christians, and eat holy communion weekly.

(4) He keeps fire burning under the brazen altar and this represents keeping sin out of our lives. It could be noted that for the 400 years which the Tabernacle stayed, the fire never went out of, under the brazen altar, and this was the job of the priest to keep the fire burning.

(5) To clean the ashes away, out of the bottom of the brazen altar which represents keeping sins out of our lives, and that is, constantly denouncing our old lives.

(6) To offer burnt offering mornings and nights, and to us it shows we need to remind ourselves that we are consecrated to be in covenant relationship with God.

(7) To offer the wave and heave offerings and this reminds us to praise and worship God because He is our Lord.

(8) To sprinkle the blood on the altar, and this causes us to remember that it is because of the blood that we are able to meet with God. And because of this, we are to sprinkle it on us and in our hearts (consciences) before meeting with God.

(9) To pronounce blessings on the people.

*"Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them, the Lord bless thee, and keep thee, The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel and I will bless them."* (Num.6:23-27).

He blesses the people with these words just as the Holy Spirit commanded us through Peter in (IPet.3:9) to bless other people. We are called to bless people so that we may be blessed.

(10) To blow the trumpet, this shows that we are to tell, proclaim or preach Jesus before the world.



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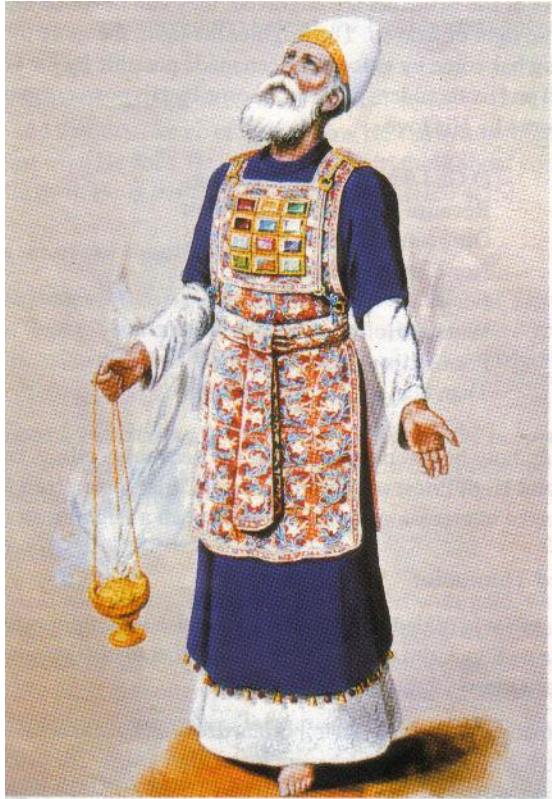
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(11) He instructs the people in the laws and truth. We are to teach others the Word of God.

(12) To proclaim or pronounce lepers clean or healed. It is our job to cleanse or heal by laying on of hands.

(13) He taught laws of sanitation, and this shows that not only should we observe the natural laws on cleanliness, but we should also teach people to observe and obey it.

## THE HIGH PRIEST



The only person that could be a high priest has to come from the family of Kohath. Moses and Aaron were from Kohath's family. Aaron was a high priest, Moses was not, but wore the high priest's garment. Gershon and Merari and their family members could never be a high priest. The high priest was the only person to enter in the Most Holy Place and that is once every year, but not without the blood. Just as Aaron was chosen to be the high priest, so is every true member of the body of Christ who overcomes the enemy here on earth, has been chosen. In Num.17:1-11, God shows that whenever He chooses a leader, He makes people know that He has chosen them. And this is what He did in the case of Aaron. And when He chooses leaders, no one should bring them down or murmur against them (see my book on Submission, the Authority Channel of God and the Only Way to the Kingdom of God). God allowed the rod of Aaron to bud as a token of His choice of Aaron. And the rod represents authority that is, the resurrection of Jesus. In the believer, the rod represents the resurrection power that we have which enables us to give life to people or others.

*"For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. Who can have compassion on the ignorant and on them that are out of the way, for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity. And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for our sins." (Heb.5:1-3)*

God chose Aaron to be the high priest as He has chosen us. In the same way, as Jesus was compassionate on people being a High Priest, because He Himself was also compassed with infirmities, we should have compassion on the ignorant. Just as the high priest represents the people before God, so are we supposed to represent the people before God. Everything in the priesthood is summed up in the high priest. He was forbidden to touch the dead no matter who he is.

*"For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." (Ps.16:10).*

The high priest could not touch the dead because God will not allow His Holy One to see corruption. Our High Priest (Jesus) speaks of life and he cannot approach any form of dead as recorded in Lev.10:1-7. He does not touch or mourn any dead body, and so if Aaron had wept or removed his hat or cap when his sons died, he would have died. Jesus is our High Priest and the clothes which the high priest wore, speaks of the character of Jesus. The high priest has to wear his clothes showing that he was putting on the character of Jesus. Their garments were made for glory and beauty. The undergarments of the high priest are those of the priest.

### **THE CLOTHES OF THE HIGH PRIEST**

He wore a blue robe with bell, and the robe speaks of authority, royal dignity and God's grace. It also represents the role of a judge. The high priest represents the highest authority. It was only at the time of Moses that Israel had two high priests. Moses was not the high priest of the sanctuary, but of the whole Israel, while Aaron was the high priest of the sanctuary. God had intended Moses to be the high priest and his two sons and their descendants will be the priests in Israel, but when Moses continued to press on the Lord God to send somebody that will go with him, contrary to will of God for him, he lost that great privilege which his children and their descendants would have inherited, to Aaron's sons. It was him alone that benefited from God, as God made him the high priest of the whole Israel. Jesus as the High Priest has the final authority. The robe was woven without a seam so that it was not possible for anybody to tear it away, and that represents Jesus as the everlasting and everlasting High Priest. The Robe was woven throughout, that nobody could tear it. And this shows that nobody can take away the authority God has given to us. We have authority to stand in any authority and no one has that authority.

*"They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture." (Ps.22:18).*

*"Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part, and also his coat : now the coat was without seam, woven from*

*the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be, that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did." (Jn.19:23-24).* Both Psalms and the book of John reported that they could not part His garment and they could not divide it, because the robe was without a seam and they casted the lots on it. Thus signifying its importance to our salvation. The bells and pomegranates in the garments of the high priest speaks of the gifts and fruit of the Spirit that must be ministered in love. The gifts of the Spirit are called God's dinner bells. The pomegranates represents Love and the love is between the bells so that the bells do not hit together. At the bottom of the high priest's garment is one of the broadest part of it and is lined up by bells that are in between the pomegranates so that the bells do not hit together and therefore make a noise.

### **THE EPHOD**

It was red, blue and purple embroidered, and was short-sleeved. The gold mitre that was woven through it, represents power and strength. Being in the presence of God made him strong. His communication with God gave him great power and strength, and when we communicate with God, it does the same to us. The Ephod was a coat of

honour. The gold mitre that was in it shows divine strength. It is sometimes called the garment of power and strength.

*"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. And I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."* (Jn.10:27-28).

This talks of the power and strength you have as you stand to minister in the office of a high priest. No man can remove you from office, but God rather keeps us. The red in the Coat speaks of suffering, blue talks of heavenly origin, purple means royalty. The Ephod has class which has 2 ouches of gold and 6 stones on each of the ouches borne on the shoulder. These stones represent the 12 tribes of Israel thus showing that the high priest is bearing the burden of the children of Israel on his shoulder.

*"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder....."* (Isa.9:6).

When the Lord Jesus was here on earth, the burden of the government of Israel was on His shoulder, likewise now we have the burden of the government of the world on our shoulders.

### **THE BREAST PLATE**

It was a long piece, with 12 stones in it thus representing the twelve tribes of Israel.



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### **THE URIM AND THUMMIM**

It was a direct guidance of God. The Hebrew word for Thummim is Tummiym and it is pronounced as Toommeem, meaning perfection and emblem of complete truth. The word Urim is Uwriym in Hebrew and it is pronounced as Oo-r-eem, which means light. It is the hidden guiding intelligence of the figure of the high priest's breastplate. The Light, fire and brilliance, and this speaks of the inner feeling of the Holy Spirit and the wisdom of God in us today.

*"And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy place, for a memorial before the Lord continually. And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and Thummim, and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the Lord, and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the Lord continually." (Ex.28:29-30).*

This was the way of making judgments given to the high priest by God. In (I Sam.23:9-12), David sought the face of the Lord by using the Ephod and asking through Urim and Thummim, and the Lord answered him by them. All that David had to do was to ask God through the high priest by using the Ephod and he got the answer. Likewise, when we go to God in the name of Jesus (our High Priest) with a pure heart, we will get the answer. Again in (I Sam.30:7-8), God spoke to David through the Urim and Thummim when he sought the face of the Lord, but to the whole Israel, He

spoke to them through Moses. When the high priest burns incense on the altar of incense (and this he does when he receives direction from God), it represents praise, worship and intercession. Likewise, if you want to receive direction constantly from God, enter into praise, worship and intercession.

When God gave charge to Joshua in (Num.27:18-21), to lead the children of Israel to the promised land, He directed that Joshua should go by the leading of Urim and Thummim as to be ministered by Eleazar the high priest. And so when Joshua went against Ai in (Joshua 7:1-15), he did not ask the Lord, for if he did, the Lord would have told him that there was an accursed thing in the camp before he attempted to attack Ai. Joshua also did not enquire of the Lord before entering into a league with Gibeonites which was the worst thing he did.

*"And when Saul enquired of the Lord, the Lord answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets."* (Isam.28:6).

In the Old Testament time, God spoke to the Kings of Israel by dreams, Urim or by the prophets, but when Saul disobeyed God, He refused to speak to him. When you are walking in disobedience, God will not speak to you.

### **THE SASH OR THE GIRDLE**

The priest wore a white one while the high priest wore a sash or girdle that was red, blue, purple and gold in colour. He wore it to hold the Ephod firmly to his body. The girdle represents the work of the Holy Spirit and so the towel that Jesus tied round His waist to gird Himself represents the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives today.

*"Gird up now thy loins like a man, for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me." (Job 38:3).* The girdle of truth is the Holy Spirit and so God was saying to Job to tell Him the truth.

*"Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." (I Pet.1:13).*

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind" means looking unto the Spirit of truth in your mind because He alone can give you the revelation of Jesus Christ.

### **THE MITRE**

He had a gold plate on it. All the high priest and the priest's garments were called holy garments. If they minister to the Lord without their holy garments on, they will die. If we also minister to the Lord without our holy garments on, which means our own holiness, we die spiritually.

### **THE DUTY OF THE HIGH PRIEST ON THE GREAT DAY OF ATONEMENT**

Atonement means a covering for sin and reconciliation back to God. A day of atonement is part of the Feast of Tabernacles and it is a day's feast. The Feast of Tabernacles actually is a three week feast lasting 21 days. The first day of the week was the blowing of the trumpets, on the 10th day of the feast, was the day of atonement, on the 15th was the Feast of Tabernacles. There has to be the day of atonement before the in-gathering of the harvest could come. This was the day their sins were cleansed, and this speaks of what Jesus did in His final sacrifice and His duties. This also was the biggest day of the year for the high priest. For the high priest to officiate on the day of atonement which comes up once in a year, was chosen by God. On that atonement day, it may not necessarily have to be the high priest who is God's high priest all the days of his life, that may officiate but one whose heart is right with God. This indicates that an ordinary priest who has a right standing with God can be chosen on that day. When the high priest went into the Holy of Holies, he set aside all his garments of glory and went in with only his robe. He washed his feet 10 times, his body 5 times before he went in to the Holy of Holies. The high priest did all the work by himself. He is the only one in the Outer Court, Holy Place and Holy of Holies. He prepares the animals, offers the sacrifices, etc, and does everything by himself, just like Jesus did.

*"And the Lord said unto Moses, speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place*

*within the veil before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark, that he die not, for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat. Thus shall Aaron come into the holy place, with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering. And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering. And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make an atonement for himself and his house.....”*

(Lev.16:2-34)

God warned Aaron not to come into the Most Holy Place unless when He wants him to come or he will die. He was only allowed to come into this Most Holy Place once in a year with these offerings. Aaron was to come in with a young bullock for a sin offering for himself and his house, and a ram for a burnt offering for himself. For the children of Israel, two goats for a sin offering and one ram for a burnt offering. For the two goats meant for the whole Israel, he had to cast lots to determine which was the scapegoat and the Lord's goat. The Lord's goat was offered for a sin offering, while the sins of the people were confessed on the scapegoat by the high priest, and then let loose alive into the wilderness by the strongest man in the congregation. When the high priest went behind the veil, he only wore his robe which represents the righteousness of God.

What Jesus did in (Jn.14:1-5), represents what the high priest did when he went behind the veil. And this is what

Jesus has gone to do, to prepare the place for us. When Jesus came to the world, He set aside His divinity (i.e.) the garment of glory and beauty and wore the robe of humanity. He removed the priestly garments. Phil. 2:5-8, shows what Jesus went through to become a High Priest, so also must we go through in order to become the Lord's high priests. Jesus wore the robe of humanity. The high priest will offer up a ram and a bullock which was a sin offering for himself and all the other priests. He will take the blood and sprinkle it on the altar and on the mercy seat seven times in order to purify them.

*"Jesus saith unto her, touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father, but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father, and to my God, and your God." (Jn.20:17).*

Jesus as the true sacrifice and the High Priest of the true tabernacle which the Lord pitched and not man, ascended into heaven (The Holiest) with His own blood and sprinkled it on the altar and mercy seat seven times to show completeness and perfection, thus speaking of cleansing and complete holiness.

*"And almost all things are by the law purged with blood, without shedding of blood is no remission." (Heb.9:22).*

The only way sin can be paid for is by the shedding of blood and so when the Lord said in (Ezek.18:20), that the soul that sinneth shall die, it was clear that for the soul not to die, somebody will have to be the substitute. Every sin

committed must be paid for, and so Jesus had to shed His blood for the sins of the entire world. Just as the scapegoat that was carrying the sins of the people of Israel, was let loose into the wilderness by the strongest man in the congregation, Jesus carrying the sins of the world was also led into the wilderness by the strongest power house of God (the Holy Spirit). The blood of those animals, cover sins, while the blood of Jesus washed away the sins and its consciousness. The goats were examined for four days which represents Jesus being examined by the Herodians, the Pharisees, the Sadducees and Pilate, and they said, I find no fault (sin) in Him. He was the perfect sin offering.

#### **THE SCAPEGOAT**

The scapegoat was taken into the wilderness and let loose and this represents Jesus when He went into the wilderness by the leading of the Holy Spirit, to be tempted by the devil.

#### **THE GOAT THAT WAS KILLED**

The goat was slain at the brazen altar or great altar (i.e.) the Calvary. The high priest took the blood and went into the Holy of Holies. He sprinkled it seven times before the Ark speaking of a perfect standing before God. He sprinkled on Mercy Seat seven times thus speaking of acceptance of God. When he finished he came out of the Holy of Holies.



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## **PART II** **(THE TABERNACLE IN MAN)**

## CHAPTER 6

### THE BODY (TERRESTRIAL)

The body (carnal) is a Greek word, "SOMA", which was formed from the dust of the ground.

*"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul." (Gen.2:7).*

The terrestrial body, is a component of flesh and blood, but it cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. Why ? This is because, the carnal body has become the food and habitation of the enemy since the fall of man, and following the curse from God, is corrupt.

*"And the Lord God said unto the serpent, because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field, upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life." (Gen.3:14).*

In another place God said, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground, for out of it wast thou taken, for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." (Gen3:19).

And so everything that was formed out of dust, the carnal body of a man, the beasts, the fishes, and the birds became the food and habitation of the serpent (Satan). And because they were formed from the earth and are become Satan's

food, they are corrupt and will never inherit the Kingdom of God.

The terrestrial body is the house of the Soulish body (Celestial). It is the Celestial body that will be redeemed when Christ comes because this is the body that He purchased with His blood.

*"Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. (Eph.1:14).*

The purchased possession is the Celestial (Soulish) body. God created this terrestrial body so that we can contact the world with it, but the soulish body which lives in the terrestrial body was created so that we will be conscious of what is inside us. Man was a living soul when he sinned, and so God's curse did not end with the terrestrial body. The soulish body was also affected by this curse and this means eternal separation from God. So, for man to have fellowship again with God who abhors sin, the price of blood has to be paid.

The terrestrial body has blood, but the soulish body has no blood. It is rather full of flesh and bones. For the soulish body to be saved, the terrestrial body which has blood that will be used for redemption, has to be sacrificed and still live in this planet, the blood of animals was chosen by God as a temporary replacement to cover the sins of man, and not cleansing in the Old Testament. Thus making way for the coming of our Lord Jesus whose sinless and perfect blood

will be used for final cleansing. As the goat is presented as a sin offering unto God, this is how Jesus presented His body as a sin offering unto our Father, in order to carry away the sins of the world.

Some of us who believe that because Jesus has died, we will no more put off this flesh (dying physically) or be changed and translated into heaven, are making a great mistake. Jesus did not taste the death of the terrestrial body for us, because all of us will still pay that price since God had already judged and condemned this body when man sinned. He tasted the death of the soul for us that we will not be eternally separated from Him and God the Father. This is clear because the Bible says in (Ezek.18:20) that *"the soul that sinneth shall die"*. Since we all are born and sharpened in iniquity because of the fall of Adam, and are judged, and condemned before the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We are also saved if we receive Him and present ourselves to Him as His personal property. And this is why the Holy Spirit spoke through Brother Paul.

*"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies (terrestrial) a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."* (Rom.12:1).

Just as the Lord Jesus Christ presented His own body as a living and true sacrifice unto God, this is how He is urging us to present our own bodies as a living sacrifice, in holiness and acceptable unto God, which is the only reasonable

service we can give to God. Since it is the blood that atones for our sins, there is no sacrifice which we can give without blood that is acceptable to God. And for you to offer an acceptable sacrifice unto God, you have to offer your own body (human will) first. And this is why the Holy Spirit said *"Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body has thou prepared for me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will, O God."* (Heb.10:5-7)

When Jesus came here, the first thing He had in mind was to sacrifice His own will so as to do the will of the Father who hath sent Him. And so God was receiving all other offerings (praise, worship, and intercession), He was offering to God.

### **THE SENSORY ORGANS OF THE BODY**

There are five sensory mechanisms of the terrestrial body through which the enemy can have access or can attack the body. They are :-

- (a) The Sight - which pertains to the eyes.
- (b) The Smell - which has to do with the nose.
- (c) The Hearing - It has to do with the ears.
- (d) The Taste - which pertains mainly to the mouth.
- (e) The Touch - this is linked up mainly to the hands.

These are the five sensory organs through which the enemy can have easy access to the body. As the Holy Spirit fights

to control the soulish body through our spirits, since the soulish (celestial) body is the house of one's spirit, this is how the devil fights through the terrestrial body to control the soulish body.

*"For the flesh (terrestrial) lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other, so that ye cannot do the things that ye would."* (Gal.5:17).

Man sinned from the beginning as a living soul, and therefore became a tool of the enemy, but it is the same soul which was eternally separated from God, that our Lord Jesus redeemed with His blood, as the only acceptable price. The problem now is that the devil who has received the amount charged for the redemption of the Soulsh body, and that is the blood, is still claiming to be the owner of the body (celestial). The Lord Jesus who is the rightful Owner of this celestial body, having paid for it with His blood after His death, is bent on taking His redeemed possession. With this explanation, it is clear that the devil is an intruder, a thief, a liar, a false claimer, etc. He is claiming what does not belong to him anymore and telling all kinds of lies and also trying to steal man away from His Owner.

*"Now the works of the flesh (carnal body) are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, withcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like; of the*

*which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God." (Gal.5:19-21).*

*"For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, truce breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God, having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof, from such turn away." (IITim.3:2-6).*

If you allow the devil to govern you by the manifestation of these words of the flesh, then you are on your way to second death (soulish death) which is eternal separation from God. The flesh (terrestrial) has a voice which it uses to have contact with the world, and that is "FEELING". The flesh also has a brain. So when somebody says, "I am feeling so, so and so", he/she is simply expressing what his/her terrestrial body is saying to him/her. It is because of the dominion that the devil has over the terrestrial flesh that (Gal.5:16) says, *"walk in the spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh."* If you walk in the Spirit, you will be able to mortify the deeds of the flesh. The terrestrial body is a picture of the Outer Court in the tabernacle of Moses. The Lord Jesus Christ also came with this same flesh (terrestrial), as Jesus of Nazareth to carry away the sin of



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man and redeem man from the bondage of fear and death,  
back to man's former glory (Ref. Heb.2:14-15).



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## CHAPTER 7

### THE SOUL(CELESTIAL)

The Soul is a Greek word, "PSYCHE", which is made of flesh and bones. It is also eternal because it does not die and decay like the terrestrial body, but it can be eternally separated from God if one fails to be born again and renew the mind part of the Soul with the Word of God.

*"Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself, handle me, and see, for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have."* (Luke 24:39).

This statement was made by the Lord Jesus Christ after His resurrection from the dead. It also shows that the soulish body (Celestial) is made of flesh and bones, because by the time He made that statement, He was in His soulish body having put off the terrestrial body through death. Man has a spirit and a body, together with a soul which serves as a go between the spirit and body. Therefore all that belongs to man's spirit and body is expressed through the soul. Because man's condition is determined by the position of his soul and not his body, the scripture thereof says, "the soul that sinneth shall die." As the terrestrial body is the house of the Soul, the Soul is also the house of man's spirit. The spirit does not have a body where he can live except the Soul. This is why the Soul is of vital importance as the permanent

dwelling place of the spirit. Angels do not have terrestrial bodies, and that is why we can't see them physically, but they have soulish (celestial) bodies where their spirits dwell. Just as the body has a brain, the Soul also has a mind. And all that pertains to intellect or reasoning, belong to the mind of the Soul. It is with the mind that what God has given to the intuition of our spirits is being interpreted and directed to the brain to be able to express in words.

The mind of the Soul is standing in between the intuition of the Spirit and the brain of the terrestrial body. Therefore if the mind of a Christian is faulty, he will live his Christian life without any knowledge or understanding of whom God is. Even with a very strong intuition and a good brain, he will still live his life as a fool who will not be able to express what is within him. This is because he has not yielded his mind to be renewed with the Word of God. A Christian cannot say he is worshipping God in spirit and in truth if he cannot understand Him (God) with His mind and also get his mind constantly renewed with the Word of God. At the time of our receiving the Lord Jesus, our spirits were saved and sealed with the Holy Spirit, but not our Souls. Our Souls are saved and redeemed at the time of redemption if eventually the mind part of the Soul is renewed. If therefore we fail to get our minds renewed with the Word, you will never be redeemed and the Holy Spirit will leave.

*"In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, in whom also after that*

*ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory." (Eph.1:13-14).*

*"This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind. Having the understanding (mind) darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart. And be renewed in the Spirit of your mind." (Eph.4:17-18,23).*

When we received our Lord Jesus, we were begotten of God, given a new spirit and a new heart, but we were never given a new mind. What happened is that the light of the Word of God shined in our dark mind and we were enlightened to know what salvation is all about. With this enlightenment of salvation, we were able to confess our sins, to forsake the world, endure persecutions and resist the constant oppositions from our relations. If however, we fail to be renewing our minds daily with the Word of God, we will lose that enlightenment and our minds will become carnal, and go back to its former state before our salvation.

*"That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh, but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against*

*God, for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God." (Rom.8:4-8).*

Christians believe that since their hearts were made new at the initial time of their salvation, their consciences and minds, must have been renewed too. This belief is wrong because, just as the mind becomes enlightened through the Word at the time of salvation, but does not remain permanently renewed, unless the person keeps on studying and obeying the Word of God. This is how the conscience part of the heart becomes new the moment the Holy Spirit seals our spirits at the time of salvation. However, when one refuses to obey the voice of his conscience on a regular basis, he will become reprobate and his conscience will stop rebuking him. The scripture in Romans also shows that a carnal mind is God's enemy, has no life and peace, is not subject to the Word of God, does not walk in righteousness, and can never, never please God. So brethren, if after your salvation and being baptized in Water and the Holy Spirit, you refuse to renew your mind by constantly studying and obeying the Word of God, you will fall victim of what the book of Romans 8 says about the carnal mind.

*"I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord, so then with the mind I myself serve the Law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin." (Rom.7:25).*

This was our Brother Paul sharing his experience, and so it is with us now that if you walk in the flesh, you serve the

law of sin and death which is in the members of the flesh. But if you are spiritually minded, you serve the Law of the Spirit which is the Word of God.

*"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their conscience seared with a hot iron." (ITim.4:1-2).*

This scripture shows that if one stops listening to the voice of his conscience, he will depart from the faith and his conscience will stop functioning, that is, his conscience will stop rebuking or reproving him. As the conscience can be restored and lose its sensitivity if it fails to be renewed in the study and obedience to the Word of God. The Spirit needs the co-operation of the mind to be able to carry out the service of God. The mind of the Soul is the working agent between the conscience of the Spirit and the brain of the body. It is the mind that interprets to the brain, the spiritual things, so when your mind is not renewed with the Word of God, there is no working agent to bring to the carnal man the interpretations of the spiritual things. The voice of the mind part of the soul is REASONING.

**THE ATTITUDES OF A CARNAL MIND TOWARDS  
GOD, TOWARDS PEOPLE AND TOWARDS  
HIMSELF.**



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(a) **TOWARDS GOD** :- A carnal mind can neither trust God, nor does he know God. He is very doubtful and also doubleminded towards the power, the love and the wisdom of God. He does not believe that the things he hears about the power and wisdom of God, or reads in the Bible about God's manifestation of Himself, are true stories. He believes those stories are mere fantasies. He does not understand the Word of God nor the teaching God uses His servants who follow His Holy Spirit to give. He cannot walk in revelation knowledge and will always wait for people whose minds are renewed, to receive the right teaching from the Holy Spirit and share with him. This is not to say that we cannot share our revelations with others, but if you are not able to receive a new and direct revelation from God, then your mind is faulty. He cannot receive light from the Word of God, and his message will not enlighten the mind of other people who listen to him. He does not know the will of God, all he says about the will of God are just guess work, because the will of God is the Word of God. And since he has failed to be renewing his mind with the Word of God, where can he then get the will of God ? He is supposed to know the will of God as he knew Jesus Christ as the Son of God when he was saved. The will of God is stated in the Bible, but because of the unrenewal of the mind, many people are unable to know God's will. The thoughts of a carnal mind is corrupt. In spite of the fact that a carnal mind may have confessed the Lord Jesus as His Saviour, yet there

will be no change in his thoughts and speech. If you cannot overcome the enemy in thoughts, you have completely lost the battle, because the mind is the battle region of the enemy.

*"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds, casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalted itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." (II Cor. 10:4-5)*

The strongholds are those dirty thoughts from the enemy that makes you to be the enemy's captive. The enemy brings thoughts that will cause you to imagine things contrary to the will of God or Word of God. And once you fail to cast the thought down that moment it comes, it becomes a high thing. Whether you stop thinking about it later or not, the thought is there forming like a baby in the womb, and will one day come out in word or deed, in disobedience to the Word of God and it becomes sin.

(b) **TOWARDS PEOPLE** :- A carnal mind walks in evil surmising towards people. As he does not believe the Word of God, he does not trust people either. He speaks evil things about the worth of people. He criticizes people and finds unnecessary fault.

*"And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord, and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears." (Isa. 11:3)*

Contrary to what the scripture says that the Lord Jesus neither judges after the sight of his eyes, nor reprove after the hearing of his ears, all the observation of a carnal mind come from what he sees or what he hears. A carnal mind under-estimates the worth of other people. He walks in hypocrisy and that is, not saying the truth in his heart. His ideas about people are too foolish and negative. A carnal mind does not like reproof and correction and therefore avoids those that try to redirect him to the Word of God. In discussing with people, a carnal mind proves that he knows more than everybody concerning the things of God or concerning anything.

(c) **TOWARDS HIMSELF** :- The thoughts of a carnal mind runs like a Radio commentary of a football match. He has an uncontrollable thought that does not give room for the meditation of the Word of God. A carnal mind can be a good conversationalist when you come to carnal things, but when you come to spiritual things, he will be beating about the bush. He either discusses spiritual things with a carnal understanding or he is unable to explain even a simple one. And this is because his mind is filled to capacity with worldly things. And since the carnal mind is not renewed with the Word of God, when he has thoughts about the Word of God, the thoughts are so confused that he cannot know which one is from God and the one from self or the devil. The carnal mind does not possess the spiritual ability to interpret what he has received in his spirit man and be




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able to share it with others. If the mind of a believer is not renewed, he will suffer greatly, because he will always misunderstand people, he will not know the will of God and will not be sure of his salvation. A carnal mind is mainly an introvert and this does a great danger to him because nobody can know his heart by looking inwardly into himself. To know yourself, you must come through the light that is in the Word of God. Self criticism, self analysis, self condemnation, self justification, etc, are products of carnality and does not allow for the free flow of the Spirit, rather they will bring unrest to the mind. Whoever decides to be introspective will become discouraged, because he will see a lot of inabilities on his side, that he may think he has never been saved afterall. He may think that he has committed an unpardonable sin or that God has forsaken him, except there is one to help and restore him. A carnal mind may have a lot of natural wisdom, but if you come to the wisdom of God, he will not know any thing. This is because those things he condemns and calls foolishness, and which he vows not to do, are where he can acquire the wisdom of God. A carnal mind who is clever in the things of this world and progresses faster, does not progress faster in the things of God than a dull person, who yields himself to the Spirit of God to renew his mind with the Word of God, and obeys Him.

### **HOW TO RENEW THE CARNAL MIND**



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For a carnal mind to be renewed, the sin in the heart of man has to be dealt with, first of all. This is because whatever belief man has in his heart, has to reflect in his thought. Therefore a diseased heart is the effect of a wrong mind. The thoughts of the mind come mainly from the belief in the heart, and for this reason if one fails to deal with any sin or wrong belief in the heart, the mind can never be renewed, no matter the amount of Word of God he has in his mind.

*"And he saith unto them, are ye so without understanding also ? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into man, it cannot defile him. Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the drought, purging all meats ? And he said, that which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man, for from within, out of the heart of man, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and defile the man." (Mk.7:18-23).*

The above scripture shows that it is from the heart that sin is committed before man starts thinking of it in his mind. Man acts according to what he believes in his heart, therefore renewal will only be possible when the diseased heart is healed through repentance and forsaking of the sin.

The second point in the renewal of the carnal mind is that the old self has to be put off. If you are not ready to drop your will (your thoughts, your ways of life, your own



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human wisdom and knowledge, your reasonings, etc), to do the will of God as clearly outlined in His word, you will not experience the peace and love of God which a renewed mind can enjoy.

*"That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts." (Eph.4:22).*

Due to the fall of man, everything that has to do with the old man (self) is corrupt no matter how good it may be to the natural man. That is why the scripture says, "they that are in the flesh cannot please God." Anyone who wants to renew his mind and to experience a continual process of renewal, has to put off his old man (will), and will also continue to drop any of your former lifestyle that creeps in. Everything in thought, word or in action, that belongs to the old man must be dropped, to give way to the Holy Spirit to renew your mind through the Word of God. Water baptism cannot put off the old man, but renewal of the mind does. This is to show that water baptism is the outward sign of crucifying the body which is done by faith, but putting off the old man and renewing the mind is the real denying of self and this is done through the Word of God.

For an unrenewed mind to be renewed and also walk in that renewed state constantly, you have to put on the new man which has the image of God.

*"And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." (Eph.4:24).*

Just as we put off the old man which is corrupt, this is how the scripture urges us to put on the new man, created in righteousness and true holiness. Man's will is corrupt, but God's will is righteous and holy, and this is what our new man is made of. Therefore when we refuse to put on the new man which has been trained to obey God, the mind can never be renewed. God's love wants to have fellowship with man, but His holiness as well, hates sin. The little sin according to man's estimation cannot stand God's holiness, it must be revealed immediately. Therefore if you bypass any sin, you are unrighteous before God and cannot walk in His holiness. You must call sin a sin and repent and forsake it immediately. Because if you fail to deal with sin the first time it is committed, you will sin again without giving consideration, and by so doing, you will keep on sinning, until you lose the sense of sin and become reprobate. Sin is like owing somebody something, and it has to be paid for. Now the payment for sin is not money, but death, and this is why Jesus came and paid the correct price. If then you refuse to acknowledge that payment made for mankind by allowing sin reign in your mind and body without repenting by pleading the blood of Jesus, you will then pay with your own Soul through eternal death. Putting on the new man and renewing your mind will not allow sin to have dominion over you. Infact, sin does not stand any chance, for the new man hates sin, as God hates it too.

### **THE ATTITUDES OF A RENEWED MIND**

A renewed mind can understand the Word of God, he understands the moves of God and also understands the teachings from the Holy Ghost. Millions of believers do not know the will of God, not that the Holy Spirit does not speak, but since the receiving agent that interprets the spiritual things, has problems, they will not know how to express what is in the intuition of the Spirit.

*"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Rom.8:14).*

*"For what knoweth the things of man, save the spirit of man which is in him ? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God, that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God." (ICor.2:11-12).*

A renewed mind is able to understand what God has given to his spirit man, this is because since his mind has been renewed, he is able to discern whenever there is a move in his spirit man. A renewed mind is one who follows the Holy Spirit and does the will of God by obeying the Word of God. A renewed mind, is a mind the Lord has opened to understand the scripture. He walks in revelation knowledge of the Word of God.

*"Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures." (Luk.24:45).*

If God does not open your mind, no matter the amount of knowledge of the Word of God you have in your head, you cannot understand the scriptures. You may know them by head knowledge, but you cannot have the revelation knowledge of them.

*"But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness unto him, neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man." (ICor.2:14-15).*

A renewed mind is he that is spiritual, and not only can he understand the things of the Spirit, but he does them too. But spiritual things are foolishness unto a carnal mind. A renewed mind judgeth all things, and righteously according to the Word of God, and not after the sight nor the hearing of the ear. He is judged of no one truly because his mind is renewed with the Word of God, and since he knows the will of God, he does it and also obeys the ordinance of man that the scripture permits. By this, if he is accused of anything, he will be guiltless because he obeys the law of God and that of man.

*"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." (ITim.2:15).*

A renewed mind does a thorough study of the Word of God and is also able to impart to others what God has revealed to him. The preachings or teachings of a renewed mind

makes a great spiritual impact on the hearers who want to hear and follow the truth. A renewed mind can stop a thought and can also initiate a thought, by this, he can control his thoughts. A renewed mind through walking in the spirit can mortify the deeds of the flesh. A renewed mind follows the Holy Spirit and allows the Holy Spirit to have liberty in his life as He leads him according to the Word of God. A renewed mind judges everything with the Word of God, and not with theological teachings that majority of the Bible Schools in the world teach about God.

### **THE SENSORY ORGANS OF THE SOUL**

- (1) Imagination
- (2) Conscience
- (3) Memory
- (4) Reasoning
- (5) Affection

Just as the terrestrial body has five sensory mechanisms through which the devil can have access to the body, the soulish body which is the house of the Spirit, has five organs also, through which the Spirit can contact the Celestial body. In the case of imagination, the Holy Spirit said, *"casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."* (II Cor. 10:5).

It is because of the importance of the Soulish body to God and the spirit man, that the Holy Spirit spoke through Brother Paul in this scripture that all imaginations and thoughts that exalt themselves against the Word of God, should be cast down to the obedience of Christ. If you allow those imaginations and thoughts that are against the present truth in your mind, they will lead you into disobedience to the Word of God.

*"Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another."*  
(Rom.2:15).

Conscience is the voice of the spirit man, but because the spirit has no other body than the Soul, this is why conscience is one of the organs of the Soul. The conscience of a man bears witness to what is in the man's heart, and for this reason we have to be careful of what you allow to be in your heart. If you allow the law (Word) of God written in your heart to govern you, the Holy Spirit and your conscience (spirit) will bear you a witness that you are the son of God. But if you believe in theologies and vain philosophies, your conscience will also bear witness to such.  
*"The memory of the just is blessed....."*  
(Prov.10:7).

The word "Just", means righteous and he has nothing to memorize than the Word of God and what goes in line with the Word. This is why his memory is blessed, but the


memory of the unjust is abomination and full of wickedness because he keeps on remembering and memorizing about evil acts. In view of the battle that Satan wages against believers, the scripture tells us to meditate on the Word of God day and night as to observe to do all that are in it.

*"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord : though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow ; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." (Isa.1:18).*

The Lord is urging us to come and reason with Him, no matter the kind of sin you have committed or you are committing, and the agent of that reasoning together, is the Word of God. Therefore if you will be willing to obey Him, and drop all your intellectualism, the Holy Spirit will use the mirror which is the Word of God, to show you, your nakedness, true wisdom of God, true knowledge, the Omnipotent power, the real fear of God, what God's prosperity is, etc. And you will experience the kind of peace you have never seen or known before. And the greatest of all, you will have eternal life and reign with Him when He comes to establish His Kingdom on earth.

*"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." (Col.3:1-2).*

Again the scripture commands true believers who are indeed risen with Christ to set our affection on things above where



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our Great High Priest is sitting on the right hand of God, and not on things on the earth. Since Jesus has risen and is sitting on the throne at God's right hand, if we mind things of this world again after our identification with His death and resurrection, those things will lead us astray and move us from His divine plan for us. Today, many of us who are born again, baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, and have tasted of the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, have gone astray because they are more mindful of earthly things than heavenly things. And there is no way you can convince them that they have missed the way, because the spirit of this world has gripped them. Finally, if we allow the Spirit of God to help our spirits and possess this five sensory organs of the Soulish body, we will be able to worship God in Spirit and truth, and our Soulish body will not die, because it will not sin against God. Even as our Lord Jesus Christ is sitting at the right hand of the Father as a man with His soulish (Celestial) body, which is made up of flesh and bones, and will never die again. (Ref. Luk.24:39).

## CHAPTER 8

### THE SPIRIT

The Spirit is a Greek word, "PNEUMA", which was breathed into the nostrils of man by God immediately after the formation of man. It is that component of man that belongs solely to God and this is the channel through which God can communicate with man. The spirit unlike the terrestrial and soulish bodies, does not have a material body. But it does live in a house and the body or house which it is living in, is the Soul. It is because the spirit of man is the dictator of what happens to the Soul that made the Holy Spirit to say through Brother Paul :

*"For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God." (ICor.2:11).*

The spirit of man knows what is in man, what man believes in his heart and what man thinks in his mind, just the same way the Holy Spirit knows everything about God. Therefore if one yield himself to the spirit of Satan to rule him, he will produce the fruit of unrighteousness unto sin. The spirit of man lives in the belly region and that is why the scripture says, *"He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." (Jn.7:38).* The "living water" here, is the Holy Spirit which will be

given to those that believe on Him. The heart is at times referred to as the spirit of man, but the heart does not consist of the spirit of man since the spirit lives in the region of the belly. The heart rather consists of the conscience of man's spirit and the mind of the soul.

Whenever the Holy Spirit drops a message from the Lord to the spirit of man in the belly region, the spirit of man then brings the message to the conscience part of the spirit which is in the heart, and the mind part of the soul will collect the message for onward transmission to the brain. This is why the Bible says, *"For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God."* (1Jn.3:20-21).

The heart is the meeting point between the spirit and the soul. All the things that enter the spirit, have to pass through the heart, and the spirit can only reach the soul through the heart. This is to show that the soul also conveys to the spirit through the heart, what it has gathered from outside. The heart therefore is the real personality of man. A man is known by what comes out of his heart and manifests in his life.

*"And he said, that which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. For from within, out of the heart of man, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness : All these evil*



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*things come from within, and defile the man." (Mk.7:20-23).*

Since all these things come from the heart, and the heart is the real man, it is with the heart first, that sin is committed. These things that come from within defile the real man, and once it is defiled, sin is then carried out in the natural and thus, bringeth forth death. Before our conversion, our spirits were dead and our consciences seared with hot iron that it does not function. But after our conversion, God gives us a new spirit and a new heart, and quickens our spirits into functioning, to the intent that we are able to live a new life and also to have a new desire. Our heart is the source of our lives, and therefore, of exceeding importance. This is why it needed recreation during our salvation, because out of it, flows the issues of man's life. Our hearts must be clean because it is the heart that God looks at when dealing with us, and for this, He said : "*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.*" (Matt.5:8).

If we are not pure in the heart, we shall not see Him. It is with the heart that man believeth unto righteousness, we serve God in the heart and He also judges all the hidden things of the heart. Since the heart is what reflects on man's belief towards God, we are then supposed to have a good heart together with a renewed mind.



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### **HOW DOES THE MIND AND THE SPIRIT RELATE**

The only connection or communication between God and man is through the Spirit, and not through the Soul or the Body. This is why God had to breathe into the nostrils of man His very Spirit to give us life. And for this reason, when we fail to keep our spirits open to God, we break the communication with Him, and our consciences will become dead. Likewise, the mind is the only connecting link between the spirit of man and the terrestrial body. Therefore if the mind of a believer is closed, he will also have a closed spirit, for God may not impart anything to his spirit since the transmitting agent is not functioning. As earlier established, the heart of a man serves as a junction box between the mind of the Soul and the conscience of the Spirit. And so whatever affects the mind, also affects the spirit, but not the body. For example, a believer may be sick physically, yet his sickness may not affect his spirit, but if his mind becomes sick, his spirit will be affected. This is because the first organ has an automatic effect on the second organ. It is important to note that even in the tabernacle, the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place are built together, with only the veil separating them, and they are inseparable. Any attempt to separate each from the other, brings destruction to both.

Due to the fact that the heart contains the conscience and the mind, and in view of the importance both God and man

attach to the heart, it becomes dangerous for man to harden his heart towards God. Any kind of hardening of the heart, brings separation from the life of God, and the understanding of man is darkened.

All the corruption that man exhibits, come from the heart and not from the head which contains the brain.

*"The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good." (Ps.14:1).*

The fool here is the unbelievers who believe that there is no God. How? Because they have not believed on the only begotten Son of God. They are corrupt because their hearts are hardened and their understanding of God become unfruitful. It is the heart that becomes corrupt, but since the mind has to be fed by what is in the heart, the mind is then affected. We believe God with our hearts because the heart is the connecting link between the mind and the spirit. If a believer's spirit and heart are recreated, then his mind will be renewed. The mind is darkened because of the corruption in the heart.

A faulty mind is as a result of a wrong heart, and this shows that if the root cause of man's problem (i.e. the heart) is not dealt with, the symptom will not be corrected either. This also shows that a man cannot change his thinking (mind) whether good or bad, if he does not change his beliefs (heart), because man believes with the heart and thinks or reasons with the mind. Man's heart is right if he is able to be

humble and teachable before God. Even if his thoughts are misled for sometime, it will be easily corrected because he is ready to learn. But one whose heart is in deception through wrong belief, and he holds on tight to it, he will only wish to argue, looking for verses in the scripture to oppose what is preached to him. Many of us read the Bible so as to protect their beliefs or selfish interests, and this points out their problems as being in what they believe in the heart and not the head. It isn't because they cannot think, but since their hearts are moulded to certain doctrines or beliefs, they put their minds into danger.

Ninety percent of believers throughout the world move along with wrong beliefs, and because of this, when they read the Bible, they can't understand it. If we believers, have agreed to surrender to the Holy Spirit, as the Author of this Holy Bible, He will guide us into all truth.

*"These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you. But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you, but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him." (1Jn.2:26-27).*

If we can ignore the theological and vain philosophical teachings, going on in large majority of denominations and virtually 2/3 of the Bible schools in the world now, and abide by the anointing of the Holy Spirit, He will teach us by Himself the deep mysteries in this Word. Some refuse to

search the scriptures and rather they go by what they read from the materials of other people who have the same wrong motives, or they force interpretations into those passages to suit their belief. Because of this, their hearts become corrupt and their minds will be affected.

Remember what the Lord said through Peter :- *"Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man, but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."* (IPet.1:20-21).

Some believers that force interpretations into the Word of God to suit their motives, please observe the above scripture and obey God. Eve had already sinned by her wrong heart desire before she ate the forbidden fruit. That wrong heart desire came in, when she engaged the devil in discussion, and he sowed the seed of doubt in her heart. It isn't that she didn't know or remember what God commanded them, but because she was lusting after evil things, the devil acted fast. So please abide by the Word of God as it is in the Bible, do not go to anybody who will bend it, to suit your heart desire.

If we hear a message which is scriptural, and also the present truth (i.e., what God commands for this dispensation), instead of going to doubting Thomases who will dismiss the message as nonsense, and sow the seed of doubt and unbelief in our hearts, we should rather go to God in prayer, asking Him if the message is from Him.



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When God sees the willingness in you to obey if you know the truth, He will confirm the message you have heard as you search the scripture.

*"Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath. That by two immutable (unchangeable) things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us." (Heb.6:17-18).*

If you don't strictly depend on the Word of God and the Spirit of God as the two immutable things that will confirm the truth from God, you will be deceived. When you discuss with a person who is deceived, you will discern whether that person's mind is right or wrong. The person who is able to listen, and absorb the truth of what has been preached to him by the Holy Ghost anointed true ministers of God, has a sound mind. A wrong mind is an evidence of a diseased heart. The thoughts of one who has a faulty mind, rotate like the seconds of a clock, and in such cases, he is unable to hear what God says to him or what God uses people to teach him. Many do not accept God's Word because their inside is already filled with vain thoughts, and unless it is cleared out, they will not understand. Except one's heart becomes a child's humble and teachable heart, he cannot receive from God. A believer who is so poor in memory that he depends only on written notes by which to remember



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things taught, has a wrong mind. Unable to remember and too forgetful are both abnormal states.

Finally, the spirit has a voice which he uses to speak to the soulish body, and it is the CONSCIENCE. So when one allows his conscience to be dead by ignoring the voice of his conscience, he will have a reprobate mind. The glorified Christ Jesus is being seen as the Father who is a Spirit that has no place to dwell, except the soulish body of our Lord Jesus which is His permanent dwelling place. And from where He manifests Himself, to His people any time He chooses to let us see Him.(Ref.Jn.4:24, Acts 17:24-25, IICor.3:17).



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## **PART III**

**(THE TABERNACLE IN HEAVEN)**



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## CHAPTER 9

### THE COURT

*"But Christ being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building." (Heb.9:11).*

As the tabernacle of Moses was built for the redeemed of Israel, who were already born again in Egypt (the world or flesh), baptized unto Moses in the cloud and the sea (ICor.10:2) which was a type of water baptism and Holy Ghost baptism, this is how in this dispensation, the Lord Jesus by His Holy Spirit is rounding up the sealing of the redeemed from the church who will enter the tabernacle of God in heaven. To get the picture of the tabernacle in heaven, the tabernacle of Moses should serve as a guide. The tabernacle of Moses was built not in Egypt, but in the wilderness after the children of Israel have been saved from destruction, by the blood of the lamb which they put on their door posts (a type of born again), baptized unto Moses in the cloud and the sea, which was a type of Water and Holy Ghost baptism. God then wanted to go up in their midst, and told Moses to build Him a tabernacle. After the building of the tabernacle, God was coming down in the day as a Pillar of Cloud and in the night as a Pillar of Fire to dwell in their midst . Due to their constant rebellion and

idolatry, God commanded Moses to pitch the tabernacle without the Camp of Israel (the Church), and demanded that anyone who is seeking to meet Him should come outside the Camp (organized religious system). But with the exception of Moses and Joshua, the children of Israel refused to go to the tabernacle to meet God (Exo.33:1-11). In like manner, Jesus died outside Jerusalem, which is a picture of denominations or organized religious sects, so that His blood will sanctify those who agree to follow Him outside the Camp or organized religious system. Since we have decided to keep on building castles which we call churches, keep on setting our own religious laws as a way of achieving righteousness, keep on preaching our own messages that have denied the holiness and authority of our Lord, the Holy Spirit is calling out the few remnants who have agreed to separate themselves from the religious system unto the Lord Jesus, to be sanctified by His blood as to enter the tabernacle in heaven, and have true fellowship with the Lord and the saints.

*"Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp (organized religious system), bearing his reproach. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come." (Heb.13:12-14).*

Once you are in the camp, the blood of Jesus can never sanctify you, and you must have a city (an organized

religious sect) where you belong. The Lord does not intend His saints to belong to man's organized religious sects, but rather to the true church of the firstborn which are written in heaven, and which has nothing to do with physical structures (Heb.12:23). As everything in the tabernacle of Moses pictured the Lord Jesus, both His first coming, His second coming and His millennial reign, this is how Jesus, as the perfect tabernacle of God is being pictured by every piece or thing in the heavenly tabernacle.

To enter into the Outer Court of the tabernacle in heaven, there is only one way and that Way is Jesus (Jn.14:6). All that try to enter the tabernacle in any other way, are self deceived and are missing the Way. The Way the Lord is talking of here, is to be born again, and be baptized in water and the Holy Spirit.

*"Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." (Jn.3:5).*

We had earlier learnt that the Outer Court of the tabernacle of Moses, was 100 cubits long and 50 cubits wide, thus signifying the total commitment of our Lord and the gift of the Holy Spirit. This shows that after your being born again, baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, you have to willingly yield yourself to the Holy Spirit by separating from the Camp and consecrating yourself to the service of the Lord. And the Holy Spirit will lead you into a life of crucifixion of the flesh. This crucifixion is mainly achieved as you



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consecrate yourself at the Sacrificial Altar, wash yourself at the Sea of Glass which typifies the Word of God and then enter the Holy Place where the Holy Spirit will begin to lead you into real praise, worship and intercession.

### **SACRIFICIAL ALTAR**

This is represented by the cross where Jesus sacrificed His life for the sins of the world. It is the heavenly picture of the Brazen Altar which was in the tabernacle of Moses where the bodies of animals that were sacrificed unto the Lord were burnt. It is important to note that just as the children of Israel who were born again in Egypt, baptized unto Moses in the cloud and the sea (Holy Ghost and Water baptism), do bring their sacrifices to be burnt in the Brazen Altar, this was how Jesus of Nazareth, after His Water and Holy Ghost baptism, fulfilled the law, before finally giving up Himself to be sacrificed at the cross. And for us now, the Lord expects that after our born again, and baptism in water and Holy Ghost in the camp, we should come outside the camp (world organized religious system) to present our own bodies as a living and an acceptable sacrifice unto Him.

*"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world ; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is*

*that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."*  
(Rom.12:1-2).

*"Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith,  
Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast  
thou prepared me." (Heb.10:5).*

When the Holy Spirit came into our vessels which is a type of the world, to seal our spirits at our conversion, if we were sensitive enough, we would have heard Him telling us to present our bodies as a living sacrifice unto Him. It is at this Altar that this is done. This is for us, an Altar of absolute surrender of our will, our motives, our decisions, our opinions, our abilities, our human strength, etc, to the Lord, in order to submit to His authority through an anointed man of God (see my book on Submission, The Authority Channel of God and the Only Way to the Kingdom of God), and do His will.

*"After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands..... And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." (Rev.7:9,14).*

The blood of the Lamb where this great multitudes will make themselves white is not in the throne of God in heaven, never, because this multitudes will not go to heaven and one has to be perfected here through death and

resurrection before ascending to heaven. Rather it is at the Sacrificial Altar where they were forced to flee to, and drop their will by force. When the horrible days of the Anti-Christ reign will begin. This is what they were being pleaded with, to drop willingly, but here they were forced to place themselves under the blood covering by the horrors of Anti-Christ reign. They will not be killed during the reign of Anti-Christ and therefore can never be overcomers and will be ready to sacrifice again. These people are not priests unto the Lord because they did not meet the requirements of a priest. Many of them may be ministers of God on Earth now but because they did not qualify to be priests after the order of Melchisedek, they will never be priests in the Kingdom.

### **THE SEA OF GLASS**

As the Brazen Laver, which is a place of washing, is picturing the doing of the Word of God, and that only priests could be allowed to go there and wash themselves, this is how those that are in the Sea of Glass are representing those that have kept the Word of God or are keeping the Word of God, by washing themselves in that sea, and have refused to bow to Anti-Christ and his agents, and have passed through fire of tribulation.

*"And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire (persecutions, tribulations, etc, which they have gone through) and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the*

*number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb..."(Rev.15:2-3).*

This people in the sea of glass are mainly the Jewish overcomers mentioned in Rev.7:1-8 and ch.20:4, plus a few proselytes from the Gentile nations who have been converted as Jews, and that is why they are singing the song of Moses. They are those that will be killed for refusing to worship the beast, neither his image, neither will receive his mark upon their foreheads, or in their right hands. They have kept the Word of God and the testimony of our Lord Jesus, and are waiting for resurrection at the physical coming of our Lord Jesus. They are the saints that will dwell in the rebuilt holy Jerusalem on Earth. They will be priests and kings unto God and the Lord. They are those (Rev.6:9-11) is talking about. The Lord at His second physical coming, will give them white robes (robes of righteousness or immortal bodies), put the laws in their hearts, give them a new heart and a new spirit, and they will partake of the first resurrection.

In summary, those in this Court know Jesus as the Saviour of the World, Son of God, the Way to the Kingdom, the Good Shepherd and the Feast of Passover (Passover Lamb that was sacrificed). Those people here are known as the congregation, those in the Outer Court, those in Egypt, Joseph's company, Little children, the Blade, those getting the Word, the Saved, the Evangelical group, the called,



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those that are water baptized, those that have repented, the faith group, those that have come out, the Body people, 32,000 company, the 30 fold (30%), knowing Him in the Crucifixion, Place of Sacrifice, the Crucifixion, Workers and Place of thanksgiving.

## CHAPTER 10

### THE HOLY PLACE (INNER COURT)

*"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, if ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (Jn.8:31-32).*

Entering into the holy place of the Earthly tabernacle, you have to pass through the door which is known as the Truth in the heavenly tabernacle. That Truth is Christ Jesus (The Word of God) and this is to show that you must have a revelation of whom Jesus is, and experience Him by continuing in the Word of God as a disciple, before you enter the Inner Court.

*"And inasmuch as not without an oath he was made priest. For those priests were made without an oath, but this with an oath by him that said unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou art a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec." (Heb.7:20-21).*

The Lord sware to an oath that He has made the Lord Jesus a Priest after the order of Melchisedec. What order is Melchisedec made of ?

*".....First being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that King of Salem, which is, King of peace. Without father, without mother, without descent,*

*having neither beginning of days, nor end of life, but made like unto the Son of God, abideth a priest continually." (Heb.7:2-3).*

Melchisedec had no physical father or mother, had no descent, had no beginning of days nor end of life and abideth an everlasting priest. And so for Jesus to enter into the Holy Place in heaven and minister unto the Lord God, He had to come like Melchisedec. He had no physical father because, before His ministry began, His foster father Joseph, was no more. He once disassociated Himself from His mother Mary. He was separated from His brethren and kindred. And when He died and resurrected with an immortal body, He ascended into Heaven to remain an everlasting Priest after the order of Melchisedec. Therefore God is looking for priests who will forsake all like Jesus did, so as to meet the qualifications of the Melchisedec order.

So after our born again, baptism in Water and the Holy Spirit, God expects those who want to be priests to come outside the camp (which is separation from the organized religious sects, separation from father, mother, brothers and sisters, friends, kindred, etc), and then submit to the authority channel of God to be able to minister in spirit and truth in God's inner court in heaven. In readiness for our departure from this sinful flesh to our redeemed flesh, to be able to offer a perfect sacrifice unto our Lord as His everlasting priests.



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*"For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens." (Heb.7:26).*

This is to show that we are high priests made in the order of Melchisedec, just like Christ was. And if we are made in that order, we must meet up with the qualifications as Christ did.

### **THE GOLDEN ALTAR**

The Golden Altar is showing the Lord in His glory as our Great High Priest who makes intercession for us. This is the highest calling a priest can have, and that is to praise, intercede and worship God. The prayers of the saints must pass through this Golden Altar, which shows that our prayers have to come through the resurrected Lord Jesus. Only those who are completely dead to works, human will, etc, and have crowned Jesus the Lord of their lives in everything, are allowed to minister here. The Golden Altar or Incense points to the fact that Jesus as our Great High Priest, is a complete praise, worship and intercession before the throne of God.

*"And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer, and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the Saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.*

*And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it unto the earth, and there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings, and an earthquake." (Rev.8:3-5).*

This is an indication of what the golden altar does before God. The prayers of the saints and incense have to be offered upon the golden altar and the smoke that came out of it ascended before the throne of God. This represents the offering of the fullness of Christ, with Jesus which is the Golden Altar as the Head, while the Saints are His body. And this is the only perfect and acceptable sacrifice unto the Lord. Prayers, praises and worship of God by the saints bring judgment upon the earth. And the fire which was brought out from the altar, before being used to fill the golden censer and then casted into the earth is the wrath of God being poured upon the earth. The size of this Golden Altar shows that not everybody can come here to offer an acceptable sacrifice unto God, but rather those that are qualified as priests after the order of Melchisedec. The Golden Altar like the Altar of Incense which was in the tabernacle of Moses, has four horns on the four corners (Rev.9:13), thus signifying the power the priests who minister here operate with. There is great power and authority that the intercessors here operate with. This power and authority are drawn direct from the throne of God (Heb.4:14-16).



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The more we praise, worship and intercede here, the more God sees us in Jesus. This is so because when our prayers and incense were offered together, smoke came out and ascended to the throne of God, signifying that God sees us in Jesus. If God does not see you in Jesus, your sacrifice cannot be accepted to God.

### **THE SEVEN LAMPS OF FIRE**

The Seven Lamps of Fire are the Seven Spirits of God, waiting before the throne of God to be sent down to the priests or overcomers, who minister in the Holy Place, to empower them to go out in the name of the Lord and call out the remnants who are still in the camp.

*"And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices, and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. (Rev.4:5).*

As these seven lamps of fire are burning before the throne of God, this is how they will burn inside the armies of God who have been trained by the Holy Spirit to bear the Ark of the Covenant. Those Spirits will come to the army inform of liquid fire and they will march out with great power and authority, thus crushing every rebellion with the sword in their mouths.

*"And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and*

*Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord." (Isa.11:2).*

These are the seven Spirits of God mentioned in Rev.4:5 and they are :-

The Spirit of the LORD (JEHOVAH)

The Spirit of Wisdom (CHOMAH) Perceiving the Truth, Good Judgment.

The Spirit of Understanding (BIYNAH) Discern, Grasp meaning.

The Spirit of Counsel (ETSAH) Prudence, Solicited guidance.

The Spirit of Might (GBUWAH) Force, Victory, Mastery, Strength, Valiant.

The Spirit of Knowledge (DAATH) Cunning, Skill, Information and Learning.

The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord (YIRAH) Reverence, Awe.

Just the same way these seven Spirits of God made Jesus of Nazareth of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord, that He was not judging after the sight of His eyes, neither did He reprove after the hearing of His ears, this is the type of function the seven Spirits of God will do in this army. These Spirits of God will empower them to preach the gospel of the Kingdom to all nations, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and to open the prison to them that are bound. These Spirits will also cause this army of God to be spiritually alive so as to

ascend to heaven when the trump of God will sound. These Spirits will help them to overcome all kinds of tribulations from the enemy and his agents. And because these Spirits are coming to dwell permanently in these people, He will enable them to cast down Satan and his principalities from the second heaven down to this earth, with the help of Arch-Angel Michael and other warring Angels, manifesting their words.

### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD OR HOLY COMMUNI-ON**

The priests in this Inner Court have the Bread of Life inside them having passed through the Sea of Glass mingled with fire. This is where they had the word ground into them through persecutions, trials and hard beatings by the enemy. And by this, they have to fellowship with one another in spirit and in truth, and since they are walking in the Light, they will also fellowship with the Father and the Son by partaking of the Holy Communion.

*"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us, and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness we lie, and do not the truth, but if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one*

*with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." (1 John 1:3,6-7).*

As long as we allow the light of the Holy Spirit to shine in us by walking in love, we can have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus will cleanse us from all sin. God does not want us to fellowship with darkness, because fellowshiping with darkness, is fellowshiping out of His Will and the blood of Jesus Christ does not work in such fellowships (Eph.5:10-12).

As the Levitical priests eat the shewbread on every sabbath, this is how the Lord has commanded the priests after the order of Melchisedec to break bread (Holy Communion). However, in the New Testament order, not on a particular day like Saturdays or Sundays, but as often as they are led to eat it by the Spirit of the Lord.

*"And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said ; Take eat, this is my body, which is broken for you. This do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying ; This cup is the new testament in my blood : this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh*



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*damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep." (1 Cor.11:24-30).*

The New Testament priests are commanded to eat this bread and drink this cup of the Lord as often as they are led to do it, in remembrance of the death of our Lord until He comes. This shows that they can eat it any day of the week and at any time. They can also eat it many times in a week as long as they are walking in the light and are led by the Spirit of God to do it. But the most dangerous thing in breaking the bread and drinking the cup of the Lord, is to eat it in sin. That is, to eat it while you have ought against your brother/sister, or if there is any way you have sinned against God or your fellow brethren without repenting. Somebody's faith may drop and he/she will become sick or even die if any of the above happens, because the blood of Jesus will not cleanse a willful sin which has not been repented of.

To summarize the Inner Court for those who worship here, Christ means the Anointer, Holy Spirit, the Truth, the Acceptable Shepherd, and the Feast of Pentecost. Those that minister here are known as the Priests (Levites). Those in the Inner Court, those in the Wilderness, Moses Company, Young men, the Stalk, those doing the Word of God, the Spirit filled, the Pentecostal Camp, the Chosen, those that have received the Spirit baptism, those that have been refreshed, the Hope group, those that have come in,



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## CHAPTER 11

### THE MOST HOLY PLACE (MOUNT SION)

*"But ye are come out unto Mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels. To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect. And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaketh better things than that of Abel." (Heb.12:22-24)*

To enter into the Holiest in the tabernacle of Moses, you have to pass through the veil which represents the flesh. Likewise to enter into Mount Sion, you must have the resurrected life (body) in you. This means that you must put off the terrestrial body by means of death and would have to put on the celestial body by means of resurrection. In the Old Testament, the high priests that enter there once in a year, could not die and resurrect to continue their priesthood function, therefore it was impossible for the veil to have been removed until Christ came. Christ having removed the veil (flesh) by means of His death resurrected again through His blood (Heb.13:20), and ascended into heaven with the same blood and did a perfect atonement for us at the Mercy Seat, thus restoring the fellowship between

God and man. And by the same blood He has redeemed us from the Kingdom of darkness and has translated us into His Kingdom to dwell with Him if we are born again, baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, and have separated unto Him from the camp.

*"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb.4:16).*

Since our Lord has translated us into heaven, we can come boldly unto His throne in spirit as we link ourselves up with the Spirit of God. But we cannot enter physically now until we die and resurrect or until we are baptized with fire and have changed, thus dropping our vile body.

When you enter Mount Sion in heaven, there are seven Great Realities that make it up. These are well set in order as number seven is perfection or completeness.

This is also to prove that anything that will come into this place, has to be perfect or complete.

### **THE SEVEN GREAT REALITIES IN MOUNT SION**

The City of the Living God (Heavenly Jerusalem).

Innumerable Company of Angels.

The General Assembly and Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven.

God the Judge of all.

The spirits of just men made perfect.

Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant.

The Blood of sprinkling that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

### **THE CITY OF THE LIVING GOD (HEAVENLY JERUSALEM)**

*"And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, behold, the tabernacle of God is with man, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God." (Rev. 21:2-3).*

This is the dwelling place of God the Father and the Lord Jesus, part of which the Lord Jesus has used in building the mansions of the Bride. Only the Lord and His Bride will live in this great city. Those who will make heaven and are not part of the Bride, will not live in this city. The Lord Jesus had earlier revealed this in His statements here:-

*"Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am ; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me, for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world." (Jn. 17:24)*

*"Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out, and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of*

*heaven from my God, and I will write upon him my new name." (Rev. 3:12).*

It is in this city that the throne room of God and of the Lamb is. In this city is where you can get God the Father who is the Judge of all, and also the Father of all spirits. In this throne room is where you can see the Lord Jesus the Mediator of the new testament in His resurrected Body. The blood of sprinkling which is on the Mercy Seat is also in this throne room. Jesus is being pictured in the Most Holy Place of the tabernacle of Moses as the Ark of the Covenant which was overlaid with gold, thus representing His glory. The Ark had inside it the golden pot that had manna which was the Bread of Life (Word of God), Aaron's rod that Budded which was the symbol of His resurrection life, and the two tables of stone (covenant) which represents the Old and New Covenant law. He fulfilled all these things about the Ark in Himself. On top of the Ark, were the cherubims of glory shadowing the Mercy Seat. These cherubims represent the four living creatures or beasts that guard the mercy seat which had the blood of Jesus on it now. This blood pleads for mercy contrary to the blood of Abel that was pleading for revenge.

Each of these four creatures has four faces, six wings and they are full of eyes before and behind. They also move together in one direction at a time. Wherever they are going, they go upon their four sides without turning where they go. They all have wheels that join them together and

that is where their spirits are (i.e., in the wheels). Their wings are also joined one to another. They four have the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side. This showed that Jesus came the first time as a man to die, and that He is coming again as a Lion to avenge what was done to Him before. They four have the face of an Ox on the left side, which represents that when He came the first time, He as an Ox, carried the sins of the world. They four have the face of an eagle, and this means that He is on earth now as the Holy Spirit bearing us up, as the eagles bear the eaglets on their wings (Ref. Ezek.1:5-28, Ezek. 10:1-22, Rev. 4:6-8).

#### **INNUMERABLE COMPANY OF ANGELS**

There are four classes of Angels, and they are the Worship Angels, the praise Angels, the warring Angels and the ministering Angels.

**The Anointed Cherubs that covereth** :- They are the highest class of Angels that worship and guard the throne of God. They look directly to God thus beholding the glory of God. They also cry holy! Holy!! Holy!!!, thereby declaring the holiness of God.(Ezek. 1:3-28, Ezek. 10:1-22, Rev. 4:6-8). Lucifer was their head before he sinned. He was the forerunner and light bearer of God before he sinned. Lucifer means light bearer and brilliant one. He was covered with ten precious stones when he was created (Ezek. 28:12-15). His voice was a musical sound. There was a workmanship



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of his tabrets and of his pipes and they were created in the day he was made, and this is his ability to sing. He offered worship songs unto God. He was the original song musician. He was so perfect that he was regarded as the son of the morning (Isa. 14:12) until iniquity was found in him. Through the sin and fall of man (Adam), Lucifer took the legal right or possession of the Earth, and began to manifest the system of Babylon/Antichrist, and of sin. The iniquity that was found in him is "Rebellion", and he lost his position as a servant and light bearer and became an adversary and darkness. Apart from the four living creatures which are the Anointed Cherubs that guard the throne of God, there are so many other Cherubs that perform other different functions. The only thing is that these four living creatures were created to jointly take number One position which Lucifer occupied, and perform the same function.

**The Seraphims** :- They are the first order of Angels who also stay before the throne of God praising the Holy name of our Lord. The four Anointed Cherubs look directly to God as to behold His glory, but the Seraphims look away from the throne of God, and lead in praising God. They also cry one to another holy! holy!! holy!!! and they declare the holiness of God (Isa.6:1-3). Unlike the Anointed Cherubs that guard the throne of God, and whose wings were joined together and move together, the wings of the Seraphims were not joined, thus they can move individually (Isa.6:6).



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**The Warring Angels** :- They are the second order of Angels that stay mainly in the second heaven where their duty post or Headquarters is. It is in this second heaven also that Satan and his principalities have their thrones. And this is where the warring Angels of God engage Satan and his Assistants in serious warfare as they try to stop the saints from receiving the blessings of God. Arch-Angel Michael who is the head of the warring Angels stays before the throne of God, to receive signal from the Lord whenever the devil is planning any attack against the people of the world. And once he receives instructions from the Lord to act, he will direct his lieutenants to go and stop that attack. At times he will come to fight the battle by himself, if the battle is too fierce. (Ref. Rev.12:7, Dan.10:13, Dan.12:1).

**The Ministering Angels** :- They are the third order of Angels. And many of them live mainly here on earth where their duty post is. They are sent by the Lord to minister to the saints who will be heirs of the Kingdom, as they march on in their journey to the Kingdom (Heb.1:7, 14, Ps.104:4). They minister and guard us lest we dash our feet against a stone (Ps.91:11-12). They are those that bring good tidings to us from the throne of God. They are what king David referred to in (Ps.23:6) as the goodness and mercies that will follow us all the days of our lives. Arch-Angel Gabriel who is the head of the ministering spirits, stays before the throne of God like Arch-Angel Michael to receive direction

about wherever they will run an errand for the Lord. At times he may send those under him, but at times he will go by himself.(Lk.1:13-20, vs.26-38, Dan.8:16-25, Dan.10:5-21)

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CHURCH OF THE FIRSTBORN, WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN HEAVEN.**

The General Assembly is an assembly of Old and New Testament saints who made heaven or who will make heaven. Also included as members of the General Assembly are those who will make it as overcomers during the great tribulation. Therefore all those that will take part in the first resurrection as written in Rev. 20:4-6, and who will be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years, together with the Old Testament Saints who resurrected with Christ and are living in third heaven (Mount Sion), will be members of the General Assembly. The Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and the spirits of just men made perfect are members of the General Assembly.

**CHURCH OF THE FIRSTBORN, WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN HEAVEN**

The Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven is the Bride of the Lamb who will live with the Lamb in New Jerusalem. They are the kings and priests unto God and will

rule with the Lord. They are the man-child company who will rule all nations with a rod of iron (Rev. 12:5). They are those that will overcome Satan and his demon angels by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony, and they will give Michael and his angels command to cast Satan and his principalities down to this earth (Rev. 12:11). The resurrected Old Testament Saints who are living in third heaven now, the Jewish overcomers who will make it during the great tribulation, some spirits of just men made perfect, who are in paradise now are not part of this Church. This Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, is the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb described in Rev. 14:4-5, as not being defiled with women (the religious system governing the world, see my book on Christian Race to the End (Qualifications for the Throne). From what God talked in the law through Moses, we see that the firstfruits are specially reserved to God. There are other fruits, but the first one is God's special property clearly reserved for Him alone. Those in paradise who forsook all as it is written in Lk. 14:26-27, vs. 33, Mk. 10:29-30, and refused to defile themselves with women (i.e. the system of Mystery Babylon and her daughters which are ruling majority of the churches on earth, and the world) as it is written in Rev. 14:4, while they were on earth, are part of this Church. Those on earth now who have met this condition, and are separated from the organized religious system, and also the world system, and are following the



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Holy Spirit whithersoever He leads them, are in this Church. And they are the people that will be caught up to God in the much talked about rapture, together with the spirits of just men made perfect that will come from paradise to ascend with this army of the Lord, to the throne of God.

### **THE SPIRITS OF JUST MEN MADE PERFECT**

These are the spirits of those people that died in Christ from Pentecost until Christ comes to take the Church of the firstborn through rapture. They are in paradise in the third heaven waiting for their resurrection and ascension to the throne of God as stated here :-

*"For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (1 Thess. 4:15-17).*

Immediately they resurrect to ascend, they will be joined by the living saints who are already quickened when they receive the baptism of fire or baptism unto death, and both of them forming the man-child, will move to the second heaven to pronounce judgment on Satan and his demon spirits, as they give the heavenly armies of God, led by

Archangel Michael command, to cast down Satan and his agents to earth. After this they will enter the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward of their activities while on earth in the great Marriage supper of the Lamb and His bride. (Rom. 14:10-12).

Many people are confused as to who these spirits of just men made perfect are or will be. They say that these are the spirits of the Old Testament saints who have been justified by the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Well, everyone is entitled to his/her opinion, however my bible proves that these are spirits of the New Testament saints that died in Christ, and who are in paradise. The Old Testament saints are not waiting for resurrection because they all resurrected with Jesus on the day He (Jesus) resurrected, and have since ascended into heaven (Matt. 27:50-53). The second point is that they are not living as spirits because spirits don't have bodies, but they all have bodies (celestial) full of flesh and bones with which they are living in third heaven. These spirits in paradise were here on earth before, in their mortal bodies, got born again, became water baptized, and were justified in the spirit, but not in the bodies. And in order to be justified in their bodies (celestial), they needed to put off this sinful flesh, and that is why they sacrificed their will and gave up their bodies in death like Jesus, as a ransom for the redemption of their soulish bodies. When they died, their mortal bodies were buried here on earth, but their spirits went to paradise to

wait for the day their bodies (celestial) will be quickened by their spirits so as to resurrect. And this quickening of their bodies, will be done at the rapture of the saints.

### **JESUS OUR HIGH PRIEST, THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE SACRIFICE, AND WHAT HE DID ON THE GREAT DAY OF ATONEMENT**

When Jesus forsaken of God and rejected by man, was crucified on the cross of Calvary, He went to hell as soon as He gave up the ghost, to preach unto the spirits in prison, that they may be judged according to men in the flesh (1 Pet. 3:18-19, 1 Pet. 4:6). These spirits are fallen angels of God who left their first estate in heaven, came down and married the daughters of men in the flesh, and produced giants on earth (see Gen. 6:1-4, II Pet. 2:4, Jude vs.6). Jesus had to go to hell first, because He died carrying the sins of the world ; And so in hell, he had to preach to these fallen angels so that they will have the same opportunity of hearing the gospel, which man in the flesh had, before the judgment day.

On the third day, God having seen and heard the voice of His Son through the blood, collected by the angels on the day He was crucified as having paid the acceptable sacrifice for the redemption of the soul, released His Spirit and He

was quickened (Heb. 13:20). He went to paradise which was then in the lower part of the earth like Hell, to release His Saints (i.e., from Abel to John the baptist). When He came in, He shouted on His saints who were listening to the devil with fear as he was addressing a supposedly press conference, and said, *"Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in.* Then the devil replied, *Who is this King of glory ?* The Lord answered, *The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, even lift them up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory ? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."* (Ps. 24:7-10).

Immediately He approached the conference hall, the brightness of the light coming out of His body, lightened the whole place which was full of darkness, and Satan recognized Him at once. In obedience to the command given to him (Satan) by the Lord to surrender the keys of hell, paradise and death, he (Satan) trembling like a little demon, and bowing down in reverence, handed the keys to Him. The Lord therefore opened the door of paradise for the saints to come out and they all came out with Him when He resurrected. He also chained all the powers of Satan and his principalities before ascending into heaven with the same blood He used to set the saints free.

*"Wherefore he saith, when he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men. (Now that he*

*ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth ? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) (Eph. 4:8-10).*

When He came out from the grave, He met Mary and she attempted to touch Him, but He refused because he was carrying His blood. And if Mary had touched Him, His blood would have been defiled and His death for our sins would have been useless. When He then went into the Holy of Holies, He had a resurrected body. As He came in He took His own blood and sprinkled it on the mercy seat and on the altar. He as the High Priest, established a new tabernacle which we are, established a new temple in heaven, set up the new covenant and sealed it with His blood. He abolished all the handwriting of ordinances that were against us. He fulfilled everything in the law age. He gave us a new heart, and wrote the law in our hearts and minds. He gave us a new spirit and we will have a new body. The veil had earlier been rent from top to bottom which represents the renting off the flesh of Jesus in death. This was the last sacrifice forever, there will never be another of it. It was the better sacrifice, it washed away our sins and the sin nature.

When the high priest in the Levitical order finishes his job, he will come out of the Holy of Holies of the tabernacle on Earth, but Jesus when He finished His work in the Holiest in

heaven, sat down at the right hand of God and said, "it is finished".

What is finished ? The Levitical priesthood, the old covenant, the old dispensation is finished, the temple worship abolished and we enter into a new dispensation where God is worshipped in Spirit and in truth. And Jesus becomes the King, sat on the throne and set up a new priesthood after the order of Melchisedec. All these were accomplished on that great day of atonement. We now have access into the true Holy of Holies in heaven. The only thing that keeps us out is our flesh. We can enter spiritually. All of this happened on the first day which represents that there is no work. It also shows that the old was finished and the new begins.

*"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."* (Heb. 4:14-16).

Jesus as the Husbandman has partaken of everything that we can go through on earth, and He is talking to people who have willingly separated themselves to be high priests, and are living holy, to come boldly to the throne of grace. Since our Great High Priest did not fail, we cannot fail as

well, if we are in Him because He ever liveth to make intercession for those that will come to Him. So brethren, let us be encouraged and go unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach.

Finally, for those in the Holiest, the Lord means, the Master or Controller, Father, Life, the Perfect Shepherd or Perfect Will of God, and the Feast of Tabernacles. Those that minister here are known as the Sons of Zadok (Melchisedec or high priests), those in the Holy of Holies, those in the Promised Land, Joshua's Company, Fathers, The Ear (seed corn), those that have been the Word of God, the Man Child, the Life in the Spirit (fulness), the Faithful (Rev. 17:14), those that have received the Fire baptism, those that have been restored (Acts 3:21), the Charity (love) group, those that have come up, the Spirit people, Gideon's 300 Company, the 100fold (100%), Fellowship of His Sufferings, Place of His Presence, the Ascension, Worshippers and the Worship group.

If this book has ministered to you, seek refuge where there is refuge. Run as fast as you can and enter the true tabernacle of God in heaven which has nothing to do with physical structures, and where there is shelter. Go outside the camp now, where the Lord Jesus is waiting by His Spirit to sanctify you and me with His blood, for His tabernacle is pitched without the Camp. And for those who have not received the Lord Jesus (being born again), who will you blame if on that day you don't see your name written in the



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Lamb's book of Life ? To be good, to think positively about the Lord, to be self righteous, is not the answer. All of them without the Lord Jesus will still bring damnation. God has given us a simple way, and that is to be born again and be baptized in Water and the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the only Way to Salvation. Look at what Peter said :- *"And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear ? (1 Pet.4:18).*

Let this statement by this great Apostle of our Lord, frighten us to run for our lives in the name of Jesus Christ, "Amen."



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