

EXODUS 30:17-21

3 Considerations For Serving Jesus More Fully



CONTEXT/BACKGROUND

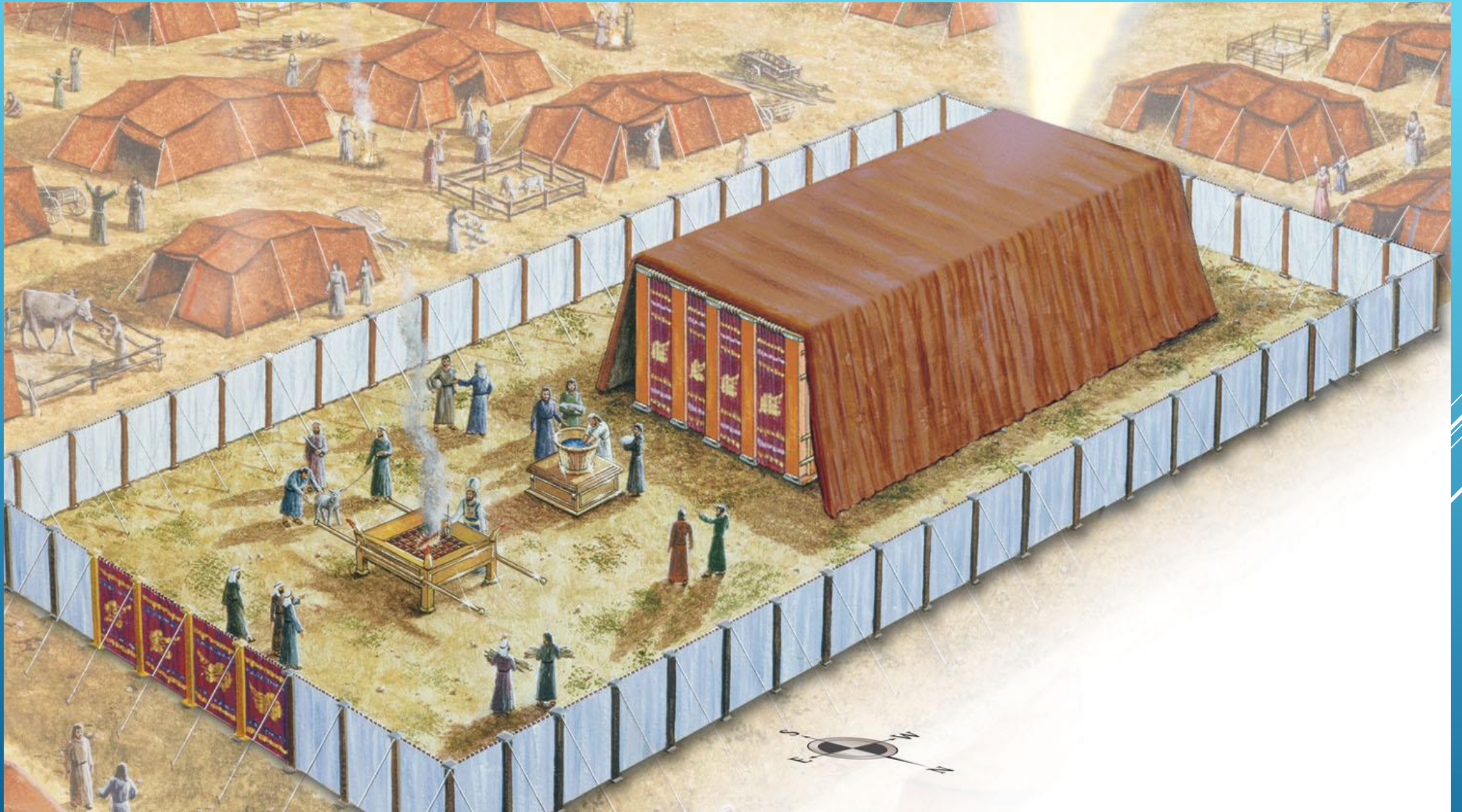
Book written by Moses (1446 BC); Jewish people newly liberated from slavery in Egypt

God guiding people to Promised Land; wanted to teach people about relationship with Him

Moses given instructions about movable worship complex, called, "Tabernacle"

Tabernacle and implements used to teach spiritual lessons; especially Jesus' coming

Last week: Recognizing prep and participation



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REMEMBERING THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS

(vv.19-20) Every aspect of Tabernacle pointed to Jesus' identity/ministry

Priests needed to “wash”, but One coming who needed no cleansing; in fact He make way all others could be cleansed

Interesting: no measurements/dimensions given for Laver; symbol that Jesus' forgiveness is limitless and measureless; we all have sinned, but we can all be forgiven

Discover Laver's true, fullest meaning in John 13:1-17

John 13:1-17; Jesus washed Disciples feet! Did this as an example for all believers to follow

Mark 10:44-45, “And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”



REFLECTING THE PRINCIPLES OF SCRIPTURE FOR SERVICE

Every time priests served, acted according to God's Word; this priority as lives depended on it

Laver made from mirrors donated by Jewish women; ancient mirrors made from highly polished copper or bronze

Laver was like polished mirror; priests could see themselves

Today cleansing agents; Word of God and Holy Spirit
Holy Spirit equips, God's Word guides

John 17:17, “Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.”

James 1:22, “But be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”



Literary Philosophy: in every English word there is a subconscious meaning or thought that can be expressed with the same letters

Dormitory

Dirty Room

Astronomer

Moon Starer

The Eyes

They See

Slot Machines

Cash Lost In Me

Episcopal

“Pepsi-Cola”

Every verse in Bible makes direct connection to service!