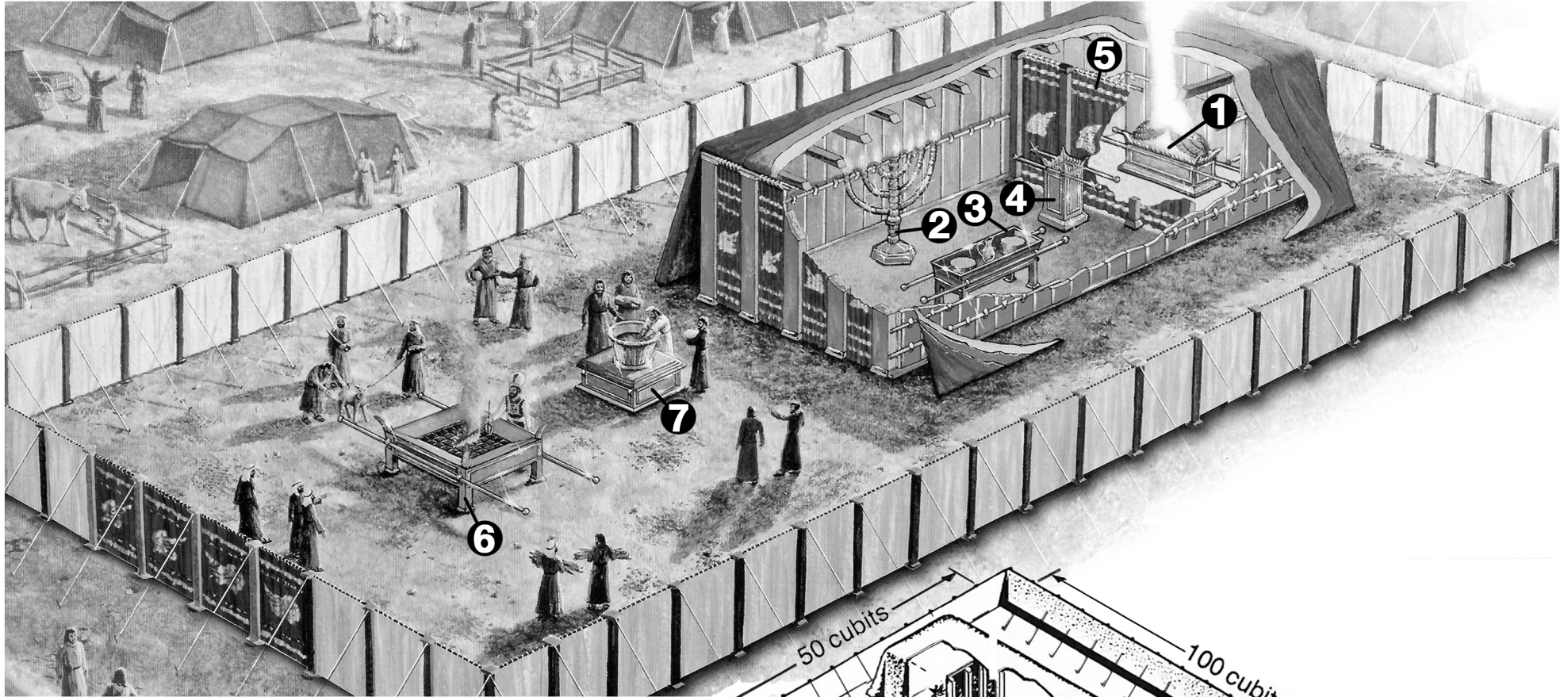
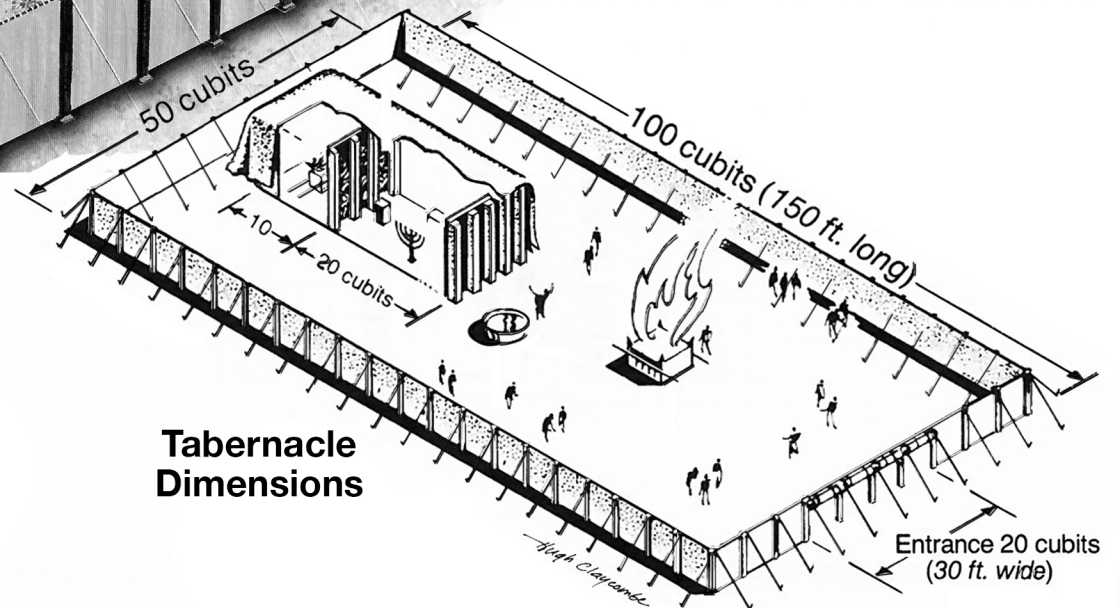
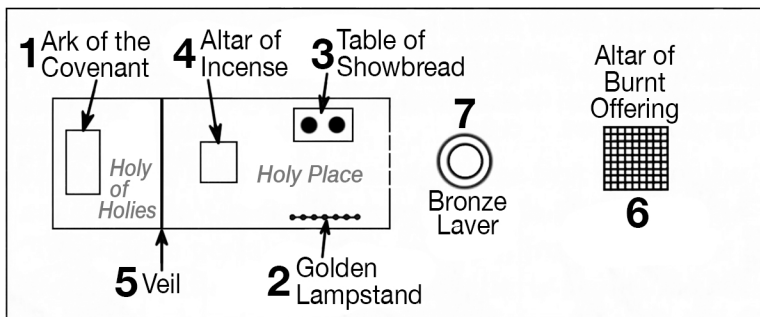


THE TABERNACLE



Tabernacle Layout



Tabernacle Dimensions

HEBREWS 9:1-28

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1. If you were asked to build a place of worship, what would it look like and what would you include?
2. In chapter 9, the author continues to explain Jesus, our perfect High Priest, and the superior New Covenant using contrasts with the Old Covenant. The Old Covenant is external and based on the Old Testament Law where the blood of animals is offered to make atonement for sin. The New Covenant is internal, based on grace and the death of Jesus as the atoning sacrifice for our sin. Read Hebrews 9:1. According to this verse, the first or Old Covenant had regulations for what two things?
3. First, the author will talk about the earthly sanctuary or tabernacle. Read Hebrews 9:2-5. What guided Moses as he built this tabernacle or tent? For insight, read Hebrews 8:5 along with Exodus 25:1, 8-9.

What was the first section of the tent called? What was placed in the first section?

In what ways do you see these objects foreshadowing Jesus Christ?

Reread Hebrews 9:3-5. The second section was called the Holy of Holies or Most Holy Place. What separated the first section from the second section?

God's presence dwelled in the second section above the Ark of the Covenant. Describe the Ark of the Covenant. Also read God's words of instruction to Moses in Exodus 25:10-22.

4. Read Hebrews 9:6-10. Now the author will talk about the regulations for worship. Describe the role of the priests and the role of the high priest.

What necessary item does the high priest take with him? Why is it so important?
Read verse 22.

5. Reread Hebrews 9:7, 9-10. What are the shortcomings of this system of offering gifts and sacrifices?
6. Read Hebrews 9:11-12. Where is this greater and more perfect tent or tabernacle? See Hebrews 9:24.

Contrast Jesus' work as High Priest in verses 11-12 with the work of the high priest in verse 7.

What does Jesus' work secure for us?

7. Read Hebrews 9:13-14. Look carefully at verse 13. What was purified by the sprinkling of blood from animals? What does the blood of Christ purify for us?

Describe what it means to you to have a clean conscience.

Think of some practical ways we can serve the living God.

8. Read Hebrews 9:15. In one sentence, explain what Jesus did as the mediator of a new covenant. Read 1 Corinthians 11:25-26 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-19.

With the new covenant, we also receive the promise of an eternal inheritance. Record what the following verses tell us about our eternal inheritance.

2 Timothy 4:8

Hebrews 4:9-10

1 Peter 1:3-4

9. Read Hebrews 9:16-17, which continues to explain the necessity of Jesus' death. What must take place for a will and testament to take effect?

10. In Hebrews 9:18-22, the author tells another story about Moses and the first covenant. What word do you see repeated many times in these verses?

What is the important principle seen in verse 22b?

11. Finish reading Hebrews 9 with verses 23-28. According to verse 24, why was it necessary for the sacrifice Jesus offered to be better than the animal sacrifices of the Old Covenant?

Explain how the sacrifice Jesus offered is better than the animal sacrifices of the Old Covenant.

12. Just like the Hebrew Christians wanted to go back to the Old Covenant rituals, we often return to old patterns or habits which interrupt our trust in Jesus alone. Ponder for a few minutes the once-for-all sacrifice of Jesus. In what ways will this wonderful truth keep you worshipping and walking closely with Jesus every day?

13. Read Hebrews 9:28 along with Revelation 19:11-16. Jesus came to earth the first time to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. What one or two emotions fill your heart as you consider Jesus Christ the King coming back to earth the second time?

14. Write out a personal prayer request in one or two sentences to share with your small group.

Once For All

Hebrews 9:1-28

The Earthly Tabernacle

vv. 1-10

- It was ordained by God, made by man, and a copy of the original in Heaven.
- The furnishings were a foreshadowing of Jesus.
- The Levitical priests went into the Holy Place everyday to serve.
- The high priest went into the Most Holy Place once a year with a blood sacrifice to atone for sin.
- The sacrifices offered could not clean the conscience of the people.

Do not put your faith in temporary works which have no _____ value. Trust in Jesus.

The Greater Heavenly Tabernacle

vv. 11-14

- It is in Heaven and created by God, so therefore it is greater than the earthly Tabernacle.
- Christ came as the High Priest of superior things – eternal redemption and the New Covenant.
- Jesus entered the heavenly Most Holy Place once for all by means of His own blood.
- Jesus' superior sacrifice cleanses our conscience and saves us from death.

You are redeemed and cleansed by His sacrifice. Serve God _____.

Jesus Establishes a Better Covenant

vv. 15-22

- Jesus is the mediator of the New Covenant. It offers salvation and an eternal inheritance.
- Jesus' shed blood reconciles us to God and our sins are forgiven.
- Jesus' death was necessary, voluntary, and costly. His sacrifice was out of love for you and me.

Consider Jesus' sacrifice for you. Respond with _____ gratitude.

Jesus Offers a Greater Sacrifice

vv. 23-28

- It was necessary for the heavenly Tabernacle to be purified with a better sacrifice.
- Jesus removed sin once for all by the superior sacrifice of Himself.

Jesus is coming again! Encourage one another as we _____ await Him.

Key: eternal, wholeheartedly, humble, eagerly

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EXODUS 25:8-9 “And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it.”

JOHN 8:12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

JOHN 6:35 Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

EXODUS 40:34 Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

COLOSSIANS 3:23-24 Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

JOHN 15:13 “Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”

2 CORINTHIANS 5:21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

PSALM 103:12 [A]s far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

ISAIAH 43:25 “I, I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.”

JEREMIAH 31:34b “For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”