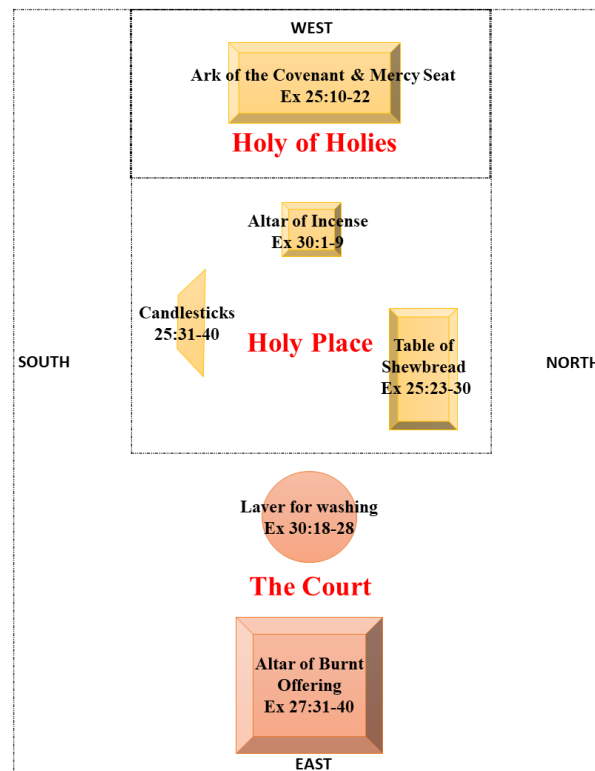


Conclusion to Exodus:

The items in the Tabernacle, and in the court, explain how we are to come near to God *in prayer*. God's Altar (Ark and Mercy Seat on top) was on the West side, the entrance of the court and the Tabernacle were on the East side. In between (in direct line) was the Altar of Incense, the Brass (copper) Laver and the Altar of Burnt Offering. Slightly to the side of these things (inside the Tabernacle) was the Table of Shewbread on the North side (on the right while looking at the Holy of Holies) and the Candlesticks on the South side (on the left while looking at the Holy of Holies) ...



What this reveals to us is the way to communicate with our Heavenly Father – it teaches us how to ‘draw near’ (be close) to Him.

In order to even get into the *court* of the Tabernacle you must go through the first hangings (door) of the curtains. This is only possible through belief in Jesus Christ. Jesus said: *I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.* (John 14:6). And then in John 10:9 Jesus said: ***I am the door***: *by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.* So, to even get into the court of the Tabernacle of God we must first and foremost believe that Jesus was truly the Son of God (Mk 1:1, Lk 1:35, John 1:32-34, 9:35-39, 20:31, Acts 8:37, 9:20, Rom 1:4, 2 Cor 1:19, etc.), that He was conceived of the Holy Spirit by the virgin Mary (Isa 7:14, Mth 1:23, Lk 1:35, etc.), that Jesus lived a sinless life (2 Cor 5:21,

1 Pt 2:22, 1 John 3:5, Heb 4:15), He died for our sins (Mth 27:50, Mk 15:37, Lk 23:46, Rom 5:8, 1 Cor 15:3, Gal 1:4, 1 John 2:2, 4:10, etc.) and literally rose again after three days (Mth 28:5-7, Mk 16:1-14, Lk 24:1-8, John 21:14, Acts 17:3, Rom 8:34, 1 Cor 15:20, etc.).

But that's not all. First hearing the truth of who Jesus Christ, and what He did for us, *is not all there is to being a Christian.* So, it's certainly not all there is to being close to God and knowing our prayers are heard of Him. There is so much more to having a relationship with God, through Jesus Christ, than the first step of accepting Jesus as our personal Savior and King. *This is what the rest of the Tabernacle teaches us.* So, the first thing you see after going into the Tabernacle (first accepting Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and King) is the Altar of Burnt Offering. It is directly in line with the Holy of Holies, which means *it blocks the view the Holy of Holies*, where God's throne is. In other words, it's 'in the way' of getting close to God. So, the first step we must take *before* moving closer to God, is to sacrifice the 'animal'. The Altar of Burnt Offering was where the animal was burnt. The animal had to *first* be killed and cleaned and *then* burnt on the altar and burnt. This is symbolic (teaches us) how we must kill (crucify) the 'animal within us', which is *the part of us that wants to sin*. It's our 'carnal mind' (Rom 8:7), which is also called our heart and we all have it when we were born into these flesh bodies (Ecc 3:11). We must repent for the sin(s) we see inside our heart (desires, intentions, emotions) and mind (thought process) and continue (daily) to kill (crucify) this part of us (Lk 9:23). We must willingly give up the 'old man' (carnal mind which is the 'animal') on the spiritual altar (our soul) before God. It has to be killed and burnt, spiritually. We must be firmly committed to Jesus Christ (Mk 12:30-33). But what's next?

Well, the next thing we come to is the Brass (copper) Laver, which is a huge basin that held water. It too was directly in line with the Holy of Holies, blocking our view of God's Throne. This laver was for the priests to wash with. They had to wash their hands and feet after they got dirty performing the blood sacrifices, *before* they could actually go into the Tabernacle. This is symbolic for how we must spiritually wash our heart (carnal desires, lusts, pride, intentions, feelings, etc.) and mind (thought process) before we can go into the Tabernacle. This means we must allow the Holy Spirit to clean our heart after we repent of our sins (crucify the animal within us). Jesus said that we are spiritually cleansed through the Word of God (John 15:3) and in John 17:19 Jesus further confirms this when He said that we are *sanctified through the truth*. 2 Thess 2:13 confirms this again when it declares we are saved spiritually ***through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth***. Upon hearing the first truths of the Gospel, and receiving the first touch of cleansing from the Holy Spirit (after we repented for the sin we do see), Jesus cleanses us enough that we can continue on into the Tabernacle. But, it's important to understand - ***we aren't supposed to stay out in the court our entire lives***. Not studying God's Word is like trying to get close to God while still in the court of the Tabernacle. You have not even gone into the Tabernacle yet. To get closer to God *you must keep going...*

After crucifying the ‘animal’ within us (repenting sincerely and daily) and washing our heart and mind with the Word of God and Holy Spirit who forgives our sins (John 4:10-24, 7:37-39), we *must move closer to God by going through the door of the Tabernacle and into the Holy Place*. Once we are in the Tabernacle, we see directly in front of us (but still far away), the Altar of Incense... which is right before the Holiest of Holies where our Heavenly Father is. But, there’s still *two things* we must ‘go to’ before getting to that Altar of Incense, where we can talk to (communicate) with our Heavenly Father.

First, to our right, is the Table of Shewbread. This is symbolic of the spiritual food that Jesus Christ gives us through the Written Word of God and His Holy Spirit helping us understand it (John 6). This should be continually ‘before our face’... *the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it* (Deut 30:14). We must partake of His Word every day so we don’t get spiritually malnourished (Amos 8:11). We need to be strong spiritually because we’re in a spiritual war (Eph 6) and the enemy is relentless. So, this step cannot be forgotten or looked over. We can’t rush right over the altar of incense. This step is a command by Jesus Christ. In Matt 11:29 Jesus said: *Take my yoke upon you, **and learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls*. In John 14:15 He said: *If ye love me, keep my commandments*. In John 14:23 He said: *If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him*. How can you ‘keep’ Jesus’ Words and commandments if you don’t study His Word so you know what to do? And lest you think you need only to study the New Testament, remember what Jesus said in John 5:39: *Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me*. We need two witnesses to learn of Jesus Christ: the Old and the New Testament. The Old Testament testifies of Jesus’ First *and* Second Advents, so it’s relevant to us today; we need to study it to know what is yet to come. Further, 1 Cor 10:11 tell us that the Old Testament history are examples for us to learn from. Further, Jesus told us that He has only fulfilled the laws of ordinances (all the blood sacrifices) but the rest of God’s Law He did not do away with and we still need to obey them and teach others to do the same (Mth 5:17-19). God’s Laws are still vitally important to teach us how to get closer to God, by learning how to sincerely obey Him. That’s how we are blessed: by learning to obey God’s Word from the heart. We really cannot learn to ‘walk in the Spirit’ with Him if we don’t learn the Old Testament as well as the New Testament. There is so much important spiritual food for us in the Old Testament. In fact, it’s difficult to understand the New Testament without going to the Old Testament to study because the Gospels, and other books in the New Testament, quote the Old Testament *often*. Therefore, when studying the New Testament, we need to go back to the Old Testament to understand *why* it was quoted to really understand what the New Testament is saying. It’s a vital part of ‘rightly dividing the Word of God’ (2 Tim 2:15).

So, after we partake of the Table of Shewbread (daily) what then do we see next in the Tabernacle? Well, next we see, to our left (south side) the Candlesticks. We know these are

symbolic of the seven Churches of the Revelations (Rev 1:20). But not all of the Churches were 'burning bright'. Only two of them were found without fault: the Church of Smyrna and Philadelphia. And this is because they knew who the false 'Jews' are. They are the people living in the world (still yet today) who claim to be "Jews" but are not and do lie (Rev 2:9, 3:9). The reason this is so important is: without this knowledge, there's no way your light (candlestick) can burn brightly (Mth 5:14-16). Why? Because knowing who the false 'Jews' really are, not only lets you know who the true 'Jews' are but also who the *true* Christ is. There is a fake 'Christ' coming soon and you need to know that so you don't fall for his lies and believe He is Jesus returned. This 'fake Christ' is actually Satan himself, who will be cast out of heaven, to this earth. Revelations 12 warns us that there's war in heaven and Satan will soon be cast to the earth with this fallen angels for the express purpose of deceiving the world into worshiping him as the Messiah, the Savior of the world. 2 Cor 11 warns us that Satan and his angels are disguised (transformed) into 'angels of light' by claiming to be 'ministers of righteousness'. So, we must know God's Law to know right from wrong for many people (Pastors, Preists, etc.) claim to be righteous but are not and this includes Satan and his fallen angels. Jesus sternly warned us of this in Mth 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21. Daniel chapters 7-12 also warn about Satan's soon coming to deceive the world into thinking he's the Messiah (Savior of the world) and 2 Thess 2 also explains this warning so very clearly. Paul's warning in 2 Thess 2 draws from the warnings of the book of Daniel (again, showing us why studying the Old Testament is so critically important). So, if you think the 'Jews' of today are the true descendants of Israel (which they are *not*) then you will easily be led to think that Satan (who they claim as their 'savior') is the Messiah returned, when in reality he is the Devil himself! (Rev 12:9, 20:2).

Now, the next question is: who the, truly are the "Jews"? The term 'Jew' is a very confusing word and it has been muddled on purpose, to *disguise* (2 Cor 11) who the fake 'Jews' really are. It is a term that actually refers to different groups. A Jew can be someone of a certain decent (race) or someone of the "Jewish" religion. It has also been historically someone who has lived in the region of Judeah. Paul called himself Jew even though he was a Benjamite (Acts 21:39, 22:3, Rom 11:1, Phil 3:5). The term "Jew" was first used (in the Bible) *after* Israel had split into two kingdoms, due to the sins of Solomon's idolatry (2 Kings 11). From that time on, people began to call those living in the Southern Kingdom of Judah, "Jews", whether or not they were truly descended from the tribe of Judah. Not only were there people from the tribes of Benjamin, Levi and Judah (as well as some other tribes of Israel) living in the Southern Kingdom of Judah, there were people of other races living there too. And this is how the children of Cain (the Kenites) began to infiltrate into the tribe of true Judah. In 1 Chron 2:55 we learn that the *the Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechab* were the families of the scribes that dwelt in the land of Israel, with the *true* descendants of Israel. Because they worked themselves into the office of the scribe, they eventually began to be known as 'the Jews', even though *they were not of the same race*. This transition came to fruition especially while they were in Babylon, for even the false Jews were taken captive by the Babylonians. This is also

when the Talmud came into being and many Jews today hold the Talmud of a higher regard than that the Torah (the Old Testament) itself. You can learn much more about this in the special studies below...

Parable of the Tares <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/251>

Saga of the Disobedient Figs <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/295>

So, the bottom line is that: today there are very few true descendants of the tribe of Judah (or any of Israel) left in the small state of Israel. Most of them are **not** descendants of Israel at all, let alone from the tribe of Judah. And if they deny Christ, they lose their right to citizenship in God's Kingdom anyhow. Again, this is important to understand because, many Christians today think these people who call themselves Jews are 'God's Chosen people' and that they have a 'special salvation' given to them. This simply isn't true. All people, *no matter their race*, **must accept Jesus Christ** in order to be 'saved' (John 14:6). It doesn't matter if they are a Kenite (son of Cain, who was fathered by Satan himself) or of the tribe of Israel or any other race. If they accept Jesus Christ *they are accepted by God* and they can come near to God spiritually through the method the Tabernacle shows us (through Jesus Christ). But, if we follow those who claim they are God's chosen people and support them (who deny Jesus as the Christ) *then we'll follow them straight to Satan himself*, for their religion is anti-Christian. This means, their religion leads them to worship Satan... and you will worship Satan too if you follow (support) them as God's chosen people.

What many forget about is: what happened to the 'lost tribes of Israel'. They really are not lost at all. We are just ignorant as to what happened to them. History tells us: many years after they were taken captive by the Assyrians (along with most of the tribe of Judah, Benajamin and Levi), they broke free from their captors and migrated into Europe, parts of Asia and then on to America, Canada and some even settling in South America. The Bible tells us this would happen in many places: Jeremiah 23, Ezekiel 28, 34 among just a few places. Even in Jesus' days the false Jews knew that Israel had been scattered among the nations; they called them the 'dispersed' in John 7:35. The book of James is written to *the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad* (James 1:1). The epistles of Peter are also written to these '*strangers*' *scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia* (1 Peter 1:1). And Jesus Himself said He was sent to *the lost sheep of the house of Israel* (Matt 15:24) and commanded His apostles to *go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel* (Matt 10:6). Only after Jesus died and rose again (defeating death, who is Satan himself – Heb 2:14) did Jesus command His apostles to *go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world* (Matt 28:19-20).

Today the ‘lost tribes of Israel’ are known as the ‘White Caucations’ in the ‘Christian nations’, although they are truly scattered all over the world. They are generally known as ‘white Caucasians’ simply because their ancestors (true Israelites) made mass migrations over the Caucasian Mountains centuries ago. But, throughout their migrations out Assyria they have been known by *many* other names, such as Angles, Saxons, Germans, Celts, Scythians, Scandinavian, Vikings, Visigoths, Goths, Parthians, and *so much more*.

We now know this because of the ancient Babylonian, Persian and Elamite (Susian) inscriptions deciphered in the late 1800’s via the Behistun Rock reveal what some of Israel’s names were while in captivity and *from that we can trace their different names and migrations*. The Persian and Susian names for Israel were Scythia and Saka while the Babylonians called Israel Gimri and also noted that they were “from the land of the Cimmerians.” So, we now know that the Scythians, Saka and Gimri *are all the same people* and they are from the land of the Cimmerians. Armed with this knowledge one can follow the tribes of Israel over the Caucus Mountains, into Europe and then America. We also can see from many other inscriptions that truly: Israel has had *many* names throughout the centuries of their migrations. Other nations they came in contact with called them different things. So, again, modern day Israelites (Anglo-Saxons, Germanic and Scandinavian, etc.) are now loosely known as the “white Caucasian”. These people are the *true* descendants of the “lost” tribes of Israel, *not* the mixed Canaanite, Khazarian and Kenite peoples we now call the “Jews” living in Palestine today (<https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/295>).

To reiterate: through Jesus Christ, anyone (of *any* race) who accepts Jesus Christ is accepted by God (John 14:6). But what we cannot be ignorant of, if our light is to truly shine (and if we want to get any closer to God), is the fact that **there are impostors who claim they are Jews but do lie** (Rev 2:9, 3:9). These people are literally descended from Satan himself when he sexually seduced Eve in the garden of Eden. To get an in depth study documenting this fact, check out these special studies on the **Parable of the Tares** <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/251> and the **Saga of the Disobedient Figs** (Parable of the Fig Tree) <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/295>. Without knowing who Satan’s children are we cannot be aware of the methods Satan uses to deceive us. Gen 3:15 tells us Satan has ‘seed’ on earth. It says...

*15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between **thy seed** [Cain through Satan] and **her seed** [Jesus Christ came through Abel, the son of Adam]; it [Jesus Christ] shall bruise thy head, and thou [Satan through the descendants of his son, Cain] shalt bruise his heel.
16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow **and thy conception**; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.*
Gen 3:15-16

Check out this three-part study to get further evidence Biblically of this fact...

He That Hath an Ear, Part 1 <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/381>

He That Hath an Ear, Part 2 <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/382>

He That Hath an Ear, Part 3 <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/383>

Although Genesis 4:1 tells us that Adam ‘knew’ (had sexual relations with) Eve, and she ‘conceived and bare Cain’, *it does not directly say that Cain was Adam’s son*. It simply meant that Adam *also* had sexual relations with Eve and then she had Cain. But verse 2 tells us she *continued* in labor. The word ‘continued’ means to continue to do a thing (#3254), meaning she continued in labor because *she was giving birth to twins*. But her twins were from two different fathers: Cain came from Satan and Abel came from Adam. This is what is termed medically *Superfecundation* and is the fertilization of two or more ova from the same cycle by sperm from *separate acts of sexual intercourse*, which can lead to *twin babies from two separate biological fathers*.

1 John 3:12 tells us that Cain was **of** that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother’s righteous. The word “**of**” in the above verse is a very important qualifying word. It is ‘ek’ in the Greek (see Strong’s Greek word #1537), and it always **denotes the origin of something**. It literally means “**out from the interior of**.” This stands in stark contrast to the usual Greek word for “of,” which is ‘apo’ and denotes motion from the surface of an object, rather than from the interior. *Cain was out from the interior of that wicked one*, meaning *he was the birth son of Satan*. John explains that this is why he slew his righteous brother Abel. And this is why you will not find Cain listed in Adam’s genealogy in Genesis chapter 5. Instead, Cain is given his own separate genealogy in Genesis chapter 4, beginning with verse 17. Many will try to tell you that Cain is not listed in Adam’s genealogy, because he was kicked out when he killed his brother Abel. But of course, this is ridiculous. You can’t be kicked out of a bloodline. If you are a part of someone’s genealogy, you are part of that genealogy, whether you are good, or bad. Cain was simply not part of Adam’s genealogy.

Further, Jesus also explained that the Jews had lineage from Cain, who was a child of the Devil. In John 8 the ‘Jews’ tried to claim they were descended from Abraham. Jesus admitted they had *some* lineage from Abraham but it was because the descendants of Esau (Abraham’s grandson who was a twin brother to Jacob from who the twelve tribes of Israel came, Gen 25) had sexually mixed with the Kenites. However, there was very *little* ‘genetics’ from Abraham (through Esau) left in the “Jews” by the days of Jesus and that’s why Jesus said: *Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it* (John 8:44). Jesus’ whole point in John 8 was explaining that the Jews were acting like their forefather, Satan and not Abraham. If they were truly children of Abraham, they would act like him. But they hated Jesus Christ and wanted to kill him. That’s not acting like Abraham at all. This is why He said to the few “Jews” who did ‘believe’ Him that...

31 *If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;*

32 *And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*

John 8:31-32

You see, even the “Jews” must believe in Jesus Christ to have Salvation. They cannot hate Jesus and still be saved. They just can’t. No one can refuse Jesus Christ as the Son of God and be saved spiritually - but all those (of *any* race) who **do** believe in Jesus Christ *will be saved*. All too many stumble at this ‘inconvenient fact’ (who the “Jews” really are) and get their light ‘snuffed’ because they refuse to realize the spiritual war involves people on earth who are literally trying to get you to totally renounce your faith in Jesus Christ. Those who cleave to the Jewish religion (no matter their race) are taught to hate Jesus Christ – He is their enemy and vice versa. We shouldn’t be supporting enemies of Jesus Christ lest we be partakers with them (James 4:4, Rev 18:4). So, it’s critical to allow the Word of God to light all of the candles in our heart lest we be found on the side of Jesus Christ’s enemies when He returns. Jesus warned us...

*Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, **and repent**, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and **will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.***

Rev 2:5

Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

Rev 2:16

21 And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

*22 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and **them that commit adultery** with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.*

*23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches **shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.***

Rev 2:21-23

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Rev 3:3

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Rev 3:19

Therefore, we must be diligent to search our heart and mind with the Light of God’s Word and allow the Holy Spirit to help us see our sins (Heb 4:12) and repent from them *with zeal* lest we be found ‘sleeping with enemy’ (Satan) when the true Jesus Christ returns. How happy do you think Jesus Christ will be with those who profess His name but are worshiping Satan?

21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. [1 Cor 10:4 – that Rock IS Christ]

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

Matt 7:21-27

So, the Candlesticks in the Tabernacle truly teach us a lot. It is therefore critical that we strive to study, understand and obey all of God's Word *from our heart* (not pretending). We have to stop trying to please others, ourselves and the system that controls the world and start trying to please our Heavenly Father first and foremost. Remember what Jesus said?

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, ***If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.***

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

John 14:23-24

No matter what you say, if you don't obey the Words of Jesus Christ then you don't love Him. Not all your candles are burning... work hard to change that and never give up! Yes, we all fall short but we must keep striving hard to keep the light burning for Jesus Christ...

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 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.

16 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

So then, after we have partaken of the Table of Shewbread and got all the Candlesticks burning brightly, what's next? Well, we finally turn directly towards the Holy of Holies and come to the

Altar of Incense. This is where we finally get to offer our prayers to our Heavenly Father, knowing that our prayers are heard because we have gone to Jesus Christ, repented and are learning of Him. This then, is how we come to God and *it's only through Jesus Christ*. The Scriptures clearly tell us that we must get rid of our sins, the best we can. We must be sincerely trying to see our sins and get rid of them. But Ps 66:18 directly says that: *If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me*. If we 'regard' iniquity in our heart means if we keep it in our heart and don't repent of it. Isa 59:2 also clearly tells us that: *your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear*. That's why the Tabernacle had the Altar of Burnt offering, the Laver, the Table of Shewbread and the Candlesticks all before the Altar of Incense. If we want our prayers to be heard we must believe in Jesus Christ, repent, work to kick the sins out of our heart and learn of Jesus Christ (the Word of God, the Bible). This is why 2 Tim 2:19 says to *let every one that nameth the name of Christ **depart from iniquity***. Many other Scriptures tell us the same thing...

16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

18 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.

*19 **If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:***

*20 **But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.***

Isa 1:16-20

21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

*22 That ye **put off** concerning the former conversation **the old man**, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;*

23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

*24 And that ye **put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.***

*25 Wherefore **putting away** lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.*

26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

27 Neither give place to the devil.

Eph 4:21-27

*1 **If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above**, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.*

*2 **Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.***

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.
4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.
*5 **Mortify therefore** your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:*
6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:
7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.
*8 **But now ye also put off all these;** anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.*
9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;
*10 And have **put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:***
Col 3:1-10

We could go on and on quoting Scriptures that tell us we must put away our sin if we are going to truly come near to God – IF we want to be ‘saved’ by Jesus Christ *it takes work on our part* to crucify daily the ‘old man’ and put on the ‘new man’ which, *after God is created in righteousness and true holiness (Eph 4:24) and is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him (Col 3:10).* **We must follow the visual aid of the Tabernacle that God gives us...** kill the old man on the Altar of Burnt Offering, wash your heart and mind in the Laver, learn of Him with the Table of Shewbread and light your soul with truth that shines in the Candlesticks (Zech 4). Then, when you offer your prayers on the Altar of Incense, they will be heard by God because (through Jesus Christ) He ripped open that veil so your prayers can go directly to Him. ***All of these steps to coming near to God center upon Jesus Christ***, who is the Word of God (John 1:1, 14) and gives us His Holy Spirit to help us learn of Him and clean our heart. **The purpose of the great Sacrifice of Jesus Christ is so we can have our sins forgiven and change our heart and mind through the Gift of His Holy Spirit and Written Word.** The visual aid of the Tabernacle teaches us all of this. There is no other way to ‘heaven’, to God or eternal life except through Jesus Christ (John 14:6).

Now, we must remember that: none of us are without fault in this flesh life. We never will be. Rom 7:18 says: *For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.* The only ‘good thing’ in us is the Word of God and the Holy Spirit. If we don’t have Jesus Christ within us (His Word and His Holy Spirit) there truly is nothing good in us. So, the only way we are accepted *is through Jesus Christ when we draw near to Him and allow Him into us* (His Word and His Holy Spirit) *to help us create that ‘new man’.* Paul later says in the next chapter...

*1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them **which are in Christ Jesus**, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.*

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Rom 8:1-4

To reiterate: the first Tabernacle teaches us how to ‘walk in the Spirit’ (Gal 5, Rom 8), which is living our life believing in Jesus Christ, studying His Word and allowing His Holy Spirit to guide us, teach us and helps us kick off our sins *daily*. We are a ‘work in progress’ because we’re constantly working to put off the ‘old man’ and put on the ‘new man’ every day of our flesh life. So, do not allow yourself to get depressed or frustrated because you still sin. Just make sure you are *sincerely* trying to stop it and keep trying harder each day! Yes, it can be depressing for all of us. It can be almost insurmountably frustrating at times. But don’t give up, ever. The Holy Spirit *will* comfort you. The Word of God *will* strengthen you. Jesus Christ will give you peace of mind (Isa 26:3). Remember God’s Promises and ‘comfort yourself’ with them (Ps 119:52). And claim God’s promises too. How do you do that? Lev 26 and Deut 28 says we claim God’s promises by **obeying His Word**. The better we obey Him (not being fake but sincerely obeying them from our heart) the more He blesses us. And remember: the best blessing in life are spiritual blessings (peace of mind, strength, comfort, wisdom, understanding, discernment, discretion, faith, love, compassion, mercy, grace, etc and etc.). Prov 8:11 tells us that; *wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.*

And, always remember that Satan is working day and night to get you to stop loving and serving Jesus Christ. *Satan hates you* when the Word of God and Holy Spirit is within you. And he wants you to fall away to sin because he knows it will destroy your life and ultimately kill your soul... the enemy is relentless so *don’t let Satan have his way with you*. Learn to grow up, mature and ask God to show you how to kick the sinful thoughts and desires out. Focus on reality, which is God’s Word (Phil 4:6-9). Ask God to teach you how to (through Jesus Christ) rebuke Satan (in Jesus’) name with authority (Lk 10:19-20). You must have that trust and faith in Jesus Christ in your heart in order to kick Satan out of your life. But you also must learn to *keep him out* because... the bastard is relentless – he never gives up. At least not until the glorious day when the consuming fire of God Himself puts Satan out of our midst, forever to be remembered no more (Ezek 28:18, Rev 20:10-15) ...

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist [stand and oppose] the devil, and he will flee from you.

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

James 4:7-8

So, there it is. A conclusion of what the first (fleshly) Tabernacle teaches us. Let's never forget the lessons in this book for **they teach us how to come out of spiritual bondage and draw close to God**. Let's close with a final thought on how the wicked truly do not 'get ahead'. It was only until the Psalmist went into the 'Sanctuary of God' (that we've been learning about) until he understood this...

1 Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart.
 2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.
 3 For **I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked**.
 4 For there are no bands in their death: but their strength is firm.
 5 They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men.
 6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment.
 7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish.
 8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly concerning oppression: they speak loftily.
 9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.
 10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full cup are wrung out to them.
 11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?
 12 Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase in riches.
 13 Verily I have cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocence.
 14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning.
 15 If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend against the generation of thy children.
 16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;
 17 **Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end.**
 18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.
 19 How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.
 20 As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.
 21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.
 22 So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee.
 23 Nevertheless I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand.
 24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.
 25 Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee.
 26 My flesh and my heart faileth: **but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever**.
 27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.
 28 **But it is good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.**

Ps 73:1-28

For further study on this, study the great book of Habakkuk [<https://t.me/TheMinorProphets/39>], for in that book Habakkuk asks why God allows the wicked to ‘get ahead’ and God reveals His great plan of Salvation (in a nutshell) to him. It’s a great follow up study to this great book of Exodus!

May God bless your studies in His Word. Stick with it and *never* give up!

12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

*14 **Blessed are they that do his commandments**, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.*

Rev 22:12-14

AMEN!