

The Tabernacle

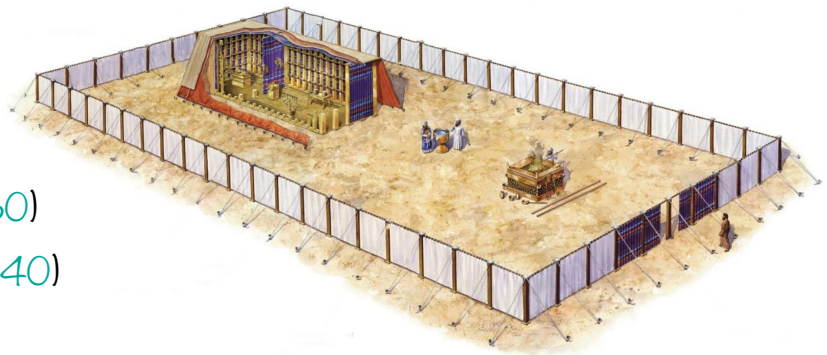
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“And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may **dwelt** in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it.” (Exodus 25:8-9)

Throughout **Exodus 25-30**, the LORD reveals that pattern for the **tabernacle**—his dwelling place among the children of Israel:

- The curtains that formed the outer court (Exo 27:9-19)
- The bronze altar (Exo 27:1-8)
- The bronze basin (Exo 30:17-21)
- The tabernacle (Exo 26)
- The table for bread (Exo 25:23-30)
- The golden lampstand (Exo 25:31-40)
- The altar of incense (Exo 30:1-10)
- The ark of the covenant (Exo 25:10-22)



But what does this have to do with our search for our King? In **John 1**, notice how **Jesus**, “the **Word**” who was with God and was God, is described:

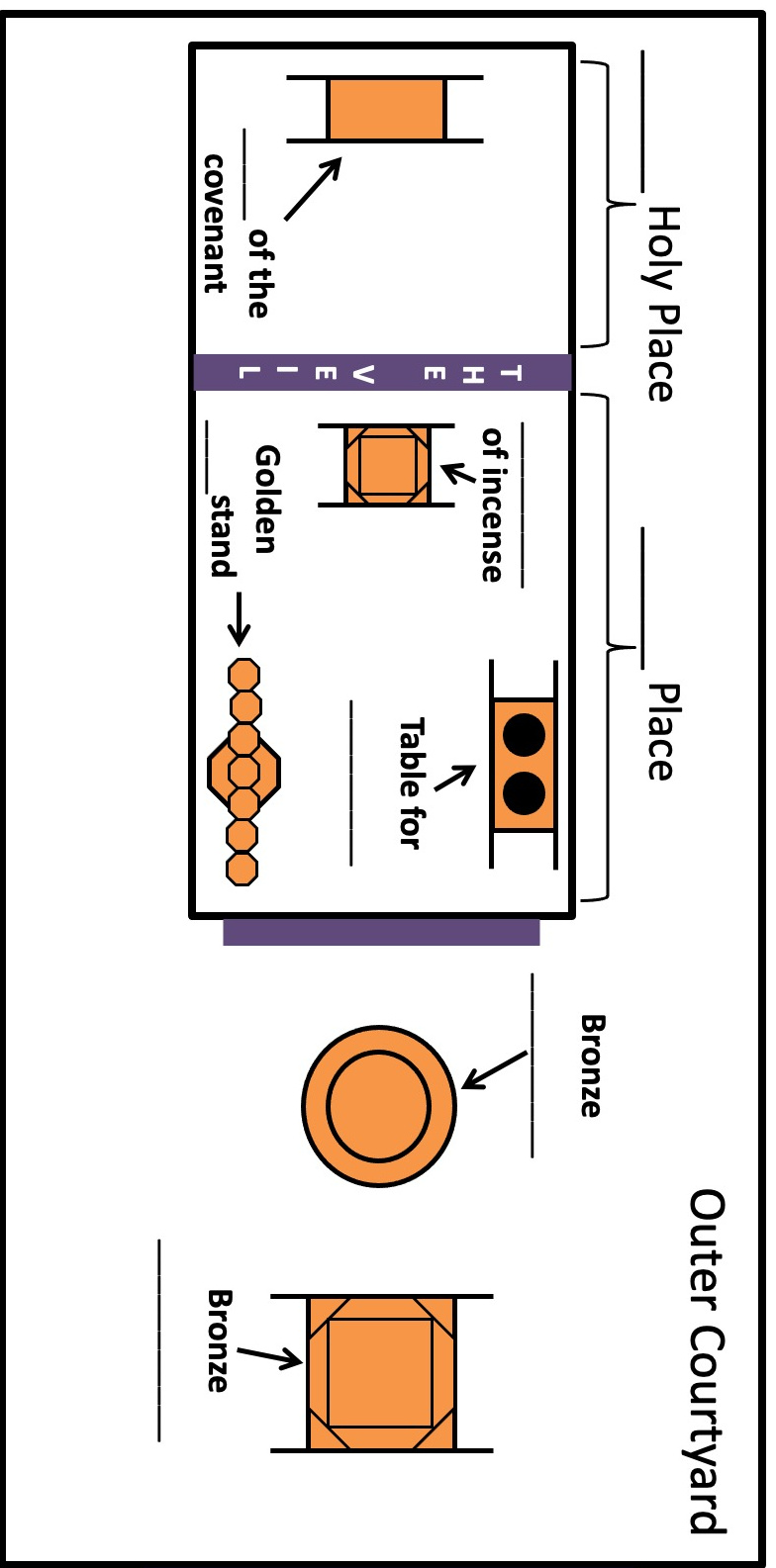
And the Word became flesh and dwelt (literally, “**tabernacled**”) among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:14)

The writer of Hebrews goes on to describe Jesus’ deep connection to that Old Testament tabernacle:

- He entered “once for all” into the “greater and more perfect tent,” into “**heaven** itself,” thus “securing an eternal redemption” (9:11-12, 24)
- Therefore, we can have “confidence to **enter** the holy places by the blood of Jesus” (10:19-22)

The tabernacle was amazing, but what Jesus has done for us is even **MORE** amazing!

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- Altar • Holy • Ark • Basin • Most • Bread • Altar • Lamp

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