# The Birth of the Covenant Nation A Study of Exodus

## A Dwelling Place for God Lesson 12 Exodus 24-27

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# **Overview** How do we build something?

- Start out with defining the reasons, purposes or objectives for building it
- Design Constraints (aka. Limitations)
  - Money
  - Materials
  - Size
  - Weight
  - Manpower
  - Processes needed for making the individual components
  - How it will be assembled
  - How many will be produced
  - Time

Man's ways of building are systematic, with each process defined typically in a linear set of steps

## How does God build something?

### God "speaks" and it happens

- Genesis 1 Count how many times it says "And God said..."
- He creates things incredibly complex, interactive, profoundly expansive, yet complete

### Isaiah 40:25-28

25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.
26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things,
that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of
his might, for that he is strong in power; not one faileth.
27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord,
and my judgment is passed over from my God?
28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord,
the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary?

Nothing was created apart from the involvement of Christ. (John 1:3)

## How does God ask man to build something?

### Noah:

 God gave him a reason for building the ark. Verbal plan, no drawings. Overall size, materials for constructions but no instructions for assembly. Gave him a "minds eye" view of some of the details or "pattern" as it is sometimes translated in scripture. God never gave him a timeline.

#### Moses:

 God gave him a reason and plan for constructing the Tabernacle. It was also a verbal plan with no drawings. He gave him a list of materials, and limited verbal instructions on how to assemble it. God gave him a minds eye view of what the construction of each item was to look like.

### Exodus 25:8-9

 8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. 9 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.

## How does God ask man to build something?

### Exodus 25:40

- And look that thou make them after their pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount.
- David:
  - God put in his heart the reason for constructing the Temple, and gave him a plan, a list of materials, and a minds eye image of some of the details and what it would look like. But he said it wouldn't happen in his lifetime. He would never see it's completion. But his son Solomon would complete it. So it was a long term plan for David. He started obtaining the materials and detailed the plans for Solomon to follow.

### 1 Chronicles 28:11-12

- 11 Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat, 12 and the pattern of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the Lord, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things:

## God's sovereignty is displayed through his requests

### God raises up those able to meet his requests

- Craftsman don't happen overnight
- Recent historical examples (Japan & China)
- God's preparation shows his ability to fulfill his promises
- Noah's ark
  - God enabled those he chose with incredible knowledge and skills

### The Tabernacle

- The best craftsman would be needed in woodworking, metalworking, metallurgy, metal casting, weavers and seamstresses
- They would need to have knowledge in how to construct things used in the manufacturing of the components in the wilderness
- Where did the base materials come from that God requested? Not from the wilderness... but from Egypt

## God's attributes are displayed through his Word

### God said it, and it happened... 100's of years later

- Genesis 15:13-14 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; 14 and also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

### How does this show us the ways of God

- His intelligence
- His planning
- His preparation
- His sovereignty
- His care for the provision of His people
- The God of the Bible is the only one that can fulfill His purposes.

## Exodus 24:1-8 Moses as mediator between the God and Israel, Israel's blood covenant

- And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the Lord, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.
- 2 And Moses alone shall come near the Lord: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.
- 3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the Lord hath said will we do. 4 And Moses wrote all the words of the Lord, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.
- 5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the Lord.
- 6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.
- 7 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.
- 8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the Lord hath made with you concerning all these words.

# Exodus 24:9-11

## God reveals himself to a chosen few of Israel

- 9 Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:
- 10 and they saw the God of Israel: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness.
- 11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

# Exodus 24:12-18

## God calls Moses to give him the commandments

- 12 And the Lord said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.
- 13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God.
- 14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.
- 15 And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.
- 16 And the glory of the Lord abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.
- 17 And the sight of the glory of the Lord was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.
- 18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

## Exodus 25 Construction Outline Things contained in Holy of Holies

Chap	ter:Vs	Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
25:	1-8	Materials				
25:1	0,11,16	Ark of the Covenant	2.5 x 1.5	3.75'x2.25'	1	Woodworking,
	, 21		X1.5	X 2.25'		Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	12	Rings of Gold (attached to Ark for bars)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	13-15	Ark Staves (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold)			2	Woodworking,
25.	13-13					Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	17-22	Mercy Seat (Gold)	2.5 x 1.5	3.75'x2.25'	1	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	23-25	Table of Showbread	2 x 1	3' x 1.5'	1	Woodworking,
25.	23-23		X 1.5	X 2.25'	1	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	26-27	Rings of Gold (attached to the Table for bars)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	28	28 Table of Showbread Staves (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold)			2	Woodworking,
25:					2	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	29	Dishes, spoons, covers, bowls (Gold)			?	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
25:	31-40	Golden Candlestick + articles (talent of Gold)			1	Metalworking, Metallurgy

# **Exodus 26:1-30 Construction Outline**

Chapter:Vs	Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
26: 1-6	Tent Inner Curtains	28 x 4	42 ' x 6'	10	Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
	Attachments (Gold)			50	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
26: 7-13	Tent Outer Goat Hair Curtains	30 x 4	45' x 6'	11	Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
	Attachments (Brass)			50	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
26: 14	Tent Outer Covering Ram & Badger skins	;		2	Taxidermy, Tanning, Textile Work
26: 15-30	Walls (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold)	10 x 1.5	15' x 2.25'	20 x 2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Sockets (of Silver)			40 x 2	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	West Wall (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold)	10 x 1.5	15' x 2.25'	6	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Corner Walls (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold)	10 x 1.5	15' x 2.25'	2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Sockets (of Silver)	and the second		16	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Wall bars (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold, North/South)	?		4 x 2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Wall bars (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold, West)	?		4 x 2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, F <mark>ound</mark> ry Work
	Center Wall Supports (North/South)	30	45'	2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Center Wall Supports (West)	10	15'	1	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Rings of Gold (attached to walls for bars)			(40+6) X 5	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Process for assembly (shown to Moses in the mount)				Management

# Exodus 26:31-37 Construction Outline

### **Tabernacle Vails**

Chapter:Vs	Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
26: 31-32	Vail (blue, purple, scarlet & fine twined linen)				Y <mark>arn making</mark> , Weaving, Textile Work
	Pillars (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold, Holy of Holies)	10?	15'	4	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Hooks on Pillars (Gold)			6?	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Sockets for the Pillars (of Silver)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
26: 32-35	Placement of Items				Management
26: 36	Vail (blue, purple, scarlet & fine <mark>twined linen)</mark>				Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
26: 37	Pillars (Shittim wood overlaid w Gold, Front)			5	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Hooks on Pillars (Gold)			8?	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
	Sockets for the Pillars (of Brass)			5	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work

## Exodus 27:1-6 Construction Outline The Altar

Chapter:Vs	Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
27: 1-2	Altar w horns (Shittim wood overlaid w Brass)	5 x 5 x 3	7.5'x7.5' X4.5'	1	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27: 3	Implements: pans, shovels, basons, fleshooks (Brass)			?	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27: 4	Altar Grate (Brass)	5 x 5	7.5'x7.5'	1	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27: 4-5, 7	Altar Grate "Rings" (Brass)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27: 6	Altar Staves (Shittim wood overlaid w Brass)			2	Woodworking, Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work

# Exodus 27:9-12 Construction Outline South/North/West Court Perimeter Hangings

Chapter:Vs		Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
27: 9,11,18		Hangings on South & North Side of Court (fine twined linen)	100 x 5	150' x 7.5'	2	Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
27:	10,11	Court Pillars (North / South)			20 x 2	Woodworking
27:	10,11	Court Pillar Sockets (Brass, North / South)			20 x 2	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	10,11	Hooks on Pillars (Silver)			20 x 2	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	12,18	Hangings on West Side of Court (fine twined linen)	50 x 5	75' x 7.5'	1	Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
27:	12,18	Court Pillars (West side)			10	Woodworking
27:	12	Court Pillar Sockets (Brass, West Side)			10	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	12	Hooks on Pillars (Silver)			10	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work

# Exodus 27:14-20 Construction Outline East Court Perimeter Hangings, Gate, Lamp Oil

Chapter:	s	Content	Cubits	Feet	Qty	Expertise
27:14,15,	8 Hangings	s on East Side of Gate of Court (fine twined linen)	15 x 5	22.5' x 7.5'	2	Y <mark>arn making, Weaving, Textile</mark> Work
27:14,15,	8	Court Pillars (East side)			3 x 2	Woodworking
27:14,15,	7 Court P	illar Sockets (Brass, East Side)			3 x 2	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	I 7 I	Hooks on Pillars (Silver)			6	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27: 16,	X	angings of Gate of Court ple, scarlet, & fine twined linen)	20 x 5	30' x 7.5'	1	Yarn making, Weaving, Textile Work
27: 16,	8	Gate Pillars (East side)			4	Woodworking
27: 16,	7 Gate Pi	llar Sockets (Brass, East Side)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	17 I	Hooks on Pillars (Silver)			4	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	19 F	Pins of the Court (Brass)			?	Metalworking, Metallurgy, Foundry Work
27:	20 Lam	p Oil (pure beaten olive oil)			?	Agricultural Refining

# Example replica of the Court & Tabernacle To approximate scale in Timna Park, Israel



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