I WAS MADE FOR LOVE

Gods purpose has always been to live with His people on earth. (Rev 21:3)

The **BEGINNING**

Genesis 3:8

⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

RISING OUT OF EGYPT

Exodus 19:5

⁵ Now if you <u>obey me fully</u> and <u>keep my covenant</u>, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, 6 you^[a] will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

- Obey me fully
- Keep my covenant
- You will be my treasured possession (protection)
- You will be my priests (Get to be with Him)

TABERNACLE OF MOSES/TENT OF MEETING

Exodus 25, 28 The LORD said to Moses, ² "Tell the Israelites to <u>bring me</u> <u>an offering</u>. You are to receive the offering for me from everyone whose heart prompts them to give...⁸ "Then have them <u>make a</u> <u>sanctuary</u> for me, <u>and I will dwell among them</u>.⁹ Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you."

¹⁰ "Have them <u>make an ark^[b]</u> of acacia wood —two and a half cubits long, a cubit and a half wide, and a cubit and a half high.^{[c] 11} Overlay it with pure gold, both inside and out, and make a gold molding around it. ¹² Cast four gold rings for it and fasten them to its four feet, with two rings on one side and two rings on the other. ¹³ Then make poles of acacia wood and overlay them with gold. ¹⁴ Insert the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark to carry it. ¹⁵ The poles are to remain in the rings of this ark; they are not to be removed. ¹⁶ Then put in the ark the tablets of the covenant law, which I will give you.

¹⁷ "<u>Make an atonement cover</u> of pure gold—two and a half cubits long and a cubit and a half wide. ¹⁸ And make two cherubim out of hammered gold at the ends of the cover. ¹⁹ Make one cherub on one end and the second cherub on the other; make the cherubim of one piece with the cover, at the two ends. ²⁰ The cherubim are to have their wings spread upward, overshadowing the cover with them. The cherubim are to face each other, looking toward the cover. ²¹ Place the cover on top of the ark and put in the ark the tablets of the covenant law that I will give you. ²² There, above the cover between the two cherubim that are over the ark of the covenant law, I will meet with you and give you all my commands for the Israelites.

²³ "<u>Make a table of acacia wood</u>—²⁸ Make the poles… make its plates and dishes of pure gold, as well as its pitchers and bowls for the pouring out of offerings. ³⁰ Put the bread of the Presence on this table to be before me at all times.

³¹ "<u>Make a lampstand of pure gold</u>. Hammer out its base and shaft, and make its flowerlike cups, buds and blossoms of one piece with them. ³² Six branches are to extend from the sides of the lampstand—three on one side and three on the other. ³⁹ A talent^[f] of pure gold is to be used for the lampstand and all these accessories. ⁴⁰ See that you make them according to the pattern shown you on the mountain.

• Exodus 30<u>"Make an altar of acacia wood for burning incense</u>.⁶ Put the altar in front of the curtain that shields the ark of the covenant law—before the atonement cover that is over the tablets of the covenant law—where I will meet with you.⁷"Aaron must burn fragrant incense on the altar every morning when he tends the lamps. ⁸ He must burn incense again when he lights the lamps at twilight so incense will burn regularly before the LORD for the generations to come. It is most holy to the LORD."

Exodus 26 "<u>Make the tabernacle with ten curtains</u> of finely twisted linen and blue, purple and scarlet yarn, with cherubim woven into them by a skilled worker. ² All the curtains are to be the same size—twenty-eight cubits long and four cubits wide.^{[a] 7} "Make curtains of goat hair for the <u>tent</u> over the tabernacle—¹⁴ Make for the tent a covering of ram skins dyed red, and over that a covering of the other durable leather. (Possibly the hides of large aquatic animals)

¹⁵ "<u>Make upright frames</u> of acacia wood for the tabernacle. ²⁶ "Also make crossbars of acacia wood: overlay with pure gold.

³¹ "<u>Make a curtain</u> of blue, purple and scarlet yarn and finely twisted linen, with cherubim woven into it by a skilled worker. ³² Hang it with gold hooks on four posts of acacia wood overlaid with gold and standing on four silver bases. ³³ Hang the curtain from the clasps and place the ark of the covenant law behind the curtain. <u>The curtain will separate the</u> <u>Holy Place from the Most Holy Place.</u>

³⁶ "For the entrance to the tent make a curtain of blue, purple and scarlet yarn and finely twisted linen—the work of an embroiderer.

On The Outside!

Exodus 27, <u>Build an altar</u> of acacia wood, three cubits^[a] high; it is to be square, five cubits long and five cubits wide.^{[b] 2} Make a horn at each of the four corners, so that the horns and the altar are of one piece, and overlay the altar with <u>bronze</u>. ³ Make all its utensils of bronze—its pots to remove the ashes, and its shovels, sprinkling bowls, meat forks and firepans. ⁴ Make a grating for it, a bronze network, and make a bronze ring at each of the four corners of the network.

Exodus 30,¹⁸ "Make a bronze basin, with its bronze stand, for washing. Place it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it. ¹⁹ Aaron and his sons are to wash their hands and feet with water from it. ²⁰ Whenever they enter the tent of meeting, they shall wash with water so that they will not die.

Exodus 27,⁹ "<u>Make a courtyard</u> for the tabernacle...It is to have curtains of finely twisted linen,...¹⁶ "For the entrance to the courtyard, provide a

curtain...of <u>blue</u>, <u>purple</u> and <u>scarlet</u> yarn and <u>finely</u> twisted linen—the work of an embroiderer—with <u>four posts and four bases."</u>

²⁰ "<u>Command the Israelites to bring you clear oil</u> of pressed olives for the light so that the lamps may be kept burning. ²¹ In the tent of meeting, outside the curtain that shields the ark of the covenant law, Aaron and his sons are to keep the lamps burning before the LORD from evening till morning. This is to be a lasting ordinance among the Israelites for the generations to come."

¹² "When you take a census of the Israelites to count them, <u>each one</u> <u>must pay the LORD a ransom for his life</u> at the time he is counted.¹⁵ <u>The</u> <u>rich are not to give more</u> than a half shekel and <u>the poor are not to give</u> <u>less</u> when you make the offering to the LORD to atone for your lives."

Attributes of the Tabernacle of Moses:

- <u>Physically constructed by God</u>. Exodus 31,"Then the LORD said to Moses, ² "See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, ³ and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—⁴ to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, ⁵ to cut and set stones, to work in wood, and to engage in all kinds of crafts. ⁶ Moreover, I have appointed Oholiab son of Ahisamak, of the tribe of Dan, to help him."
- <u>Moveable tabernacle</u>. Pillar of Fire in the night, Pillar of cloud in the day. When He moved, they moved.
- Provided atonement for sin, although temporary
- Foreshadowing/Representation Jesus who atoned for sin permanently.
- Two way communication Man to God, God to Man. No Front wall, no solid ceiling. Aaron came in as Israel, God came down in His Glory. (Only the High Priest)
- Tangible picture of B.C. and A.C.

Jesus was the answer

Hebrews 10, ¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can

never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. ¹⁵ The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says:

¹⁶ "This is the covenant I will make with them

after that time, says the Lord.

I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds."^[b]

¹⁷ Then he adds:

"Their sins and lawless acts

I will remember no more."^[c]

¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Gods purpose has always been to live with His people on earth. That day is coming.

Rev 21, "Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth,"^[a] for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴ 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death"^[b] or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!"

UNTIL THAT TIME COMES, WE ARE THE TEMPLE OF THE

<u>LIVING GOD</u>. 1 Corinthians 6^{19} Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.