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SUBJECT: The Tabernacle
in the Wilderness

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The Tabernacle In The Wilderness.

The author, wherever adopted the typology of the tabernacle to set forth the things of Christ. The theology of the tabernacle is judgment and condemnation - the theology of the tabernacle is grace and truth by Jesus Christ. The rest of the Christian message? Theology of the tabernacle is the message, truth, in the person of Jesus Christ.

Only one scene of Scripture records the creation of the heavens and the earth. Only two chapters are given to the re-creation of the renewed and submerged earth. Only nine chapters are given to the entire record of the heavens from Adam to Abraham, 2000 years. But Exodus 25-40, fifteen chapters (nearly 1/3 of the book) are devoted to the tabernacle. The whole book of Leviticus is its service. The tabernacle is the pattern of the church, the pattern of the kingdom of God on earth. The tabernacle is the pattern of the church, the pattern of the kingdom of God on earth. The tabernacle is the pattern of the church, the pattern of the kingdom of God on earth. The tabernacle is the pattern of the church, the pattern of the kingdom of God on earth.

An emblem, types of Christ

1. In its origin.

Both heavenly and earthly:
(1) Heavenly.

God made the plan, pattern. The blue-print for every detail - color, form, pattern, size, shape. The work arranged a revelation. No room, place, for human wisdom. Not man's speculation or any thing ought to be. Like the plan of salvation, all of God. Even the men who constructed the tabernacle were Spirit-directed: like Peter and John at Pentecost, so Bezaleel and Ooliab. § 31:1-6

God gave the pattern for heaven. The people contributed the materials. Christ a heavenly & earthly being. God contributed his personality. Humanity " " body of Christ.

(2) Earthly

The materiality of the work the people could offer. When left Egypt the gifts (lock pay) received under the direct hand of God. So willingly, Moses had to restrain them §. 36:6,7. cf. II Cor. 8:1-9; 9:7,8

2. In its form.

(1) why a tent tabernacle? Because the children of Israel were dwelling in tents. So God to dwell among them as one of them. It was their first dwelling place on earth. God walked with Adam in the garden. Abraham dwelt here, the Israelites dwell in tents. Ex 25:8 One with the people. Ex 1:14 a type of his tent, tabernacle, among all people. Heb. 2:17 "dwelt..."

(2) Here, in the camp in the wilderness, not a permanent house. of patriarchs. - Judges 14: 13, 10, 16 The very name speaks of the temporariness. Pitched in the desert, always moving down in the sand, desert. made, equipped for a desert march. All the way carried - all along for all time they present, waiting for a time when it should be set aside. 1/2 of old song: I am a stray, O Lord, O Lord of hosts. I am a stray, O Lord, O Lord of hosts. I am a stray, O Lord, O Lord of hosts. I am a stray, O Lord, O Lord of hosts.

God builds his dwelling-place today among men. Heb 2:2
 In the interval between the rejection of the rejection of a King. His Church
 "cross" "crucifixion"
 "upper room" "resurrection"
 "ascension" "glorification"
 "parousia of Jesus" "second coming of Jesus"
 dwelling here, His body the Church, here, temporarily here.

Had it been made to be tabernacles remain for the service of angels, not wrought with tender delivery. That is like the other before eyes the splendour that die in the sunbeam or great care or eyes the sunbeam that bear favour.
 7. Pharis. "but you can see it"
 8. Pharisee. angels - "angels".

3. In its appearance.

Occupies the central position in the camp: X the center, the height.

Outside, rough badger skin to shield from weather.
Inside, beauty outside. Pure gold boards for the walls
Blue, purple, scarlet, fine-tanned skins.

To those who looked at him from the outside, would they
be the King's Menial?
1. the King's Menial's palace. A stroller!
2. of foreign people - the carpenter's son
3. of the Royalist nobles. "How beautiful he is...?"
4. No. 33:2

But to those who had eyes to see within, ... John 1:14
they had been within, inward, to the heart!

The tabernacle speaks of him in every shade of color,
in every thread.
1. of the King's Menial

- (1) Badger's skin - Amulets
- (2) Rams' skin dies red - suffering, crucifixion
- (3) Goats' hair - sin-bearing, taking away the sin
- (4) Blue, purple, scarlet

5. In its ~~construction~~ arrangement.

The divisions from the front building are given from God's point of view, starting at the instrument process, the ark & the mercy seat over cherubim, going out to the great altar, sacrifice. We go in, start with the altar as we go out as the mercy seat.

The four sides enter, by the altar & sacrifice, leave, left & right, head, heaven, altar, in view of people, they do with. Shut out the priests. Shut out the people. So the perfect life of us, unapproachable, unattainable by us. Erected as possible standards. Beautiful to look at, but to procure each up to degree. Only through the broken body, the rent veil, can we reach God. If only the perfect life, our God, still here. But through the doorway, by life, rent, torn, we enter & pass, the

In its construction

4. Built upon sockets of silver. Redeemers money. Paid by every manite above 20, redemption price for our life. Silver, my soul the same - 1/2 shekel. Red. pen, gold, insignificant, learned, religious, paid no more nor less. All the same. My friend you whose sockets of redemption price paid for us by our God. All alike - poor, rich, Jew, gent. I.V. 13:28, 29

THE TABERNACLE IN THE WILDERNESS

(Not the temple, but the tabernacle: Heb. 8, 9.)

INTRODUCTION

1. The space consumed in the Scriptures
Exodus 25-31 [7 chapters] God's directions for construction
Exodus 35-40 [5 chapters] Moses repeats to the people.

Creation [Genesis 1, 2] two chapters

The Tabernacle [Exodus 25-31, 35-40] twelve chapters.

God said, "Let there be light" - Light.

God prescribed laws for the tabernacle - detailed laws
of "spend more time teaching a little child than
in commanding an army."

2. Completeness of specification
The Divine Architect - nothing wanting

3. Temporary character.

But had it been made to be taken up to heaven
for the service of angels, not wrought with tenderness
delicacy. Like God, to bestow upon the

ephemera that die in the sunbeams as great
care as upon the seraphim that burn forever.
of Eccl. 9:10 "Whatsoever thy hand findeth
to do, do it with all thy might."

of Shiloh, Parthian, "But God can see it"
of Michael's angels "Trials make perfection, but perfection is
no trial."

4. Typically, the Tabernacle pointed to Christ. The glory of his person and work are stamped on every part of it.

5. Occupied a central position in the camp. (Numbers 2:2) Christ is the center of his people.



KOHATHITES. Kohath, Levi's second son. Their charge: to carry the ark, table, and golden altar, and the vessels of the sanctuary on the bearers, but not to touch the covering part on them by the sons of Aaron, nor not to touch them. Moses of that family. Also Samuel. Eleven golden vessels are inscribed with their names.

MERARITES - MERARI, Levi's third son. Their charge: to follow after Judah's standard to set up the outer tabernacle for the covering of the Kohathites. Thus the heavy part: pillars, boards, etc. 4 wagons, 8 oxen assigned them.

GERASHOMITES - GERASHON, Levi's eldest son. Their charge: to carry the tent coverings, banners, curtains, cords. Not so heavy, so two wagons and four oxen assigned them. Ahaft, second son of Gerson, one of them.

INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED)

1. How the materials were collected

(1) There was a popular response. Ex. 35: 20-29
[How come the Israelites to have all these precious possessions: Ex. 3: 21, 22; 12: 36.]

(2) There was a tremendous spirit of willingness. They were inventive in their beneficence. Moses had to restrain them. "too much" Ex. 36: 6, 7.
cf. II Co. 8: 1-5; 9: 7, 8.

2. The principal workmen

(1) Bezaleel. Ex. 31: 1-5
of the tribe of Judah - 1st in the march Numbers 10: 14

(2) Aholiab. Ex. 31: 6
of the tribe of Dan - 12th (last) in the march. Numbers 10: 25
cf. Peter at his fishing - John Wesley of Oxford
Paul at the feet of Gamaliel - Dwight L. Moody of Chicago
Ex. 31: 3 it is God who qualifies us

(3) Every one whose heart stirred him to work.
Ex. 31: 6b = Ex. 35: 21, 22, 25, 26

3. The Various names given to the tabernacle.

(1) "Tabernacle of [the] congregation" Ex. 27:21

Indicates the purpose for the children of Israel. Actually, ^{and the entire} "tabernacle of meeting" in its full designation Ex. 40:2, 29 "tabernacle of meeting" ^{is not the people meeting one another, but God meeting the people in His representative.}

(2) "Tabernacle of the Lord"

Indicates God's dwelling place.

(3) "Tabernacle of the testimony" Num. 1:50

Because in it were the two tables of stone.

(4) "Tabernacle of the witness" Num. 17:7, 8; 18:8

In connection with the rebellion of Korah (Num. 16, 17) Aaron's rod budded. The rod was stored up as a witness.

4. The purpose of the tabernacle.

Ex. 25:1, 8 "And the Lord spoke unto Moses saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, ... that they make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them."

of John 1:14 ἑσκήνωσεν (transitive)
ἑσκήνω = to pitch tent
= to encamp
= to tabernacle, dwell in a tent

It was God's first dwelling place on earth
God walked with Adam
God visited Abraham
But here God comes to dwell: a type of Christ

5. Made after a heavenly pattern.

"According to the patterns" occurs four times.

Ex. 25:9 "According to all that I show thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle ... even so shall ye make it"

Ex. 25:40 "And look thou, that thou make them after their patterns, which was showed thee in the mount."

Ex. 26:30 "And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion thereof which was showed thee in the mount."

Ex. 27:8 "As it was showed thee in the mount, so shall they make it."

Moses' faithfulness. Ex. 39:42, 43 "According to all that the Lord commanded Moses, so the children of Israel made all the work. And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done it as the Lord had commanded, even so had they done it."

Heb. 8:5 "... the sanctuary and shadows of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount." [referring to the above Ex. 25:40]

6.

The whole arrangement was a revelation.
No room for human wisdom. I Co. 1: 27, 28, 29
Like the plan of salvation, all of God Eph 2: 8, 9

The Church is no less God's than was the
tabernacle. God has given us a divine pattern and
minute instructions how His power is to be ordered.
Then abide unrepealed, unchanged for His people's
obedience through all the ages of the history of
the church till our Lord comes.