

This week we will study about some amazing building plans that God gave to Moses.





"Even this favoured servant of God could not at once approach into His presence and endure the exhibition of His glory. Six days must be employed in devoting himself to God by searching of heart, meditation, and prayer before he could be prepared for direct communication with his Maker. Upon the seventh day, which was the Sabbath, Moses was called up into the cloud." – Patriarchs & Prophets p. 313



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# 40 DAYS & 40 NIGHTS WITH GOD

Daily Devotional 20



**LET'S PRAY** Dear Father, thank You for Your Word, as it teaches me so much about who You are. Thank You for all You provide for me. Thank You for sending Your Son Jesus to this earth to die for my sins. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

"Speak also to the children of Israel, saying: 'Surely My Sabbaths you shall keep, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I am the LORD who sanctifies you.'"

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 24:9–18 & 25:1–9



### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

God had prepared some very special people to make all the items from the building plans that He gave to Moses. Two particular men whom God named were Bezalel and Aholiab. Because of this, Moses didn't have to go out and spend time looking for special craftsmen. Also, in our reading today we found that God reminded Moses to instruct the Israelites on keeping the Sabbath Holy. God didn't want the Israelites to think that because they were building a house for God that it was okay to do this on the Sabbath. Also, verse 18 tells us that God had written the Ten Commandments on stone, with His own finger, and they were to be placed in the Ark of the Covenant.

The Sanctuary building plans were a pattern of the Sanctuary in heaven. So the building plans were very special and detailed. I think that's why God needed to spend so much time with Moses to make sure Moses got the plans just right. Also, did you notice that most of the items which God asked Moses to build had rings on them, so that poles could be threaded through? This was so the Israelites could carry them on their travels. The Sanctuary was to be portable. God thought of everything!



### SABBATH QUIZ

1. How many days and nights did Moses spend on the mountain in communication with God?

2. What had to be made to sit on each end of the Mercy Seat of the Ark of the Covenant?

3. What type of oil was to be used in the Golden Lampstand?

4. What was the piece of clothing called that held the 12 precious stones that Aaron had to wear?

5. God gave Moses two special recipes that had strict copyright. What were they?



**LET'S PRAY** Dearest Heavenly Father, thank You for bringing me safely through another week. Thank You for providing a day of rest for me. May I gain a blessing on Your Holy day and may I also be a blessing to others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

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### LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

There's a lot to think about in our reading today. Verse 12 tells us that God called Moses up to Mt Sinai as He wanted to give Moses the Ten Commandments written in stone. Verse 16 tells us that Moses had to wait for six days, preparing his heart and mind, before he could go into the presence of God to receive a very important message. On the seventh day—the Sabbath—Moses went into the presence of God after which he spent 40 days and 40 nights with Him. So Moses was away from the encampment for around six and a half

weeks, which was a long time! In the last part of our reading God revealed to Moses that He wants the children of Israel to bring materials to contribute to the building of a Sanctuary so God could dwell among them.





#### **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 24:18**

"So Moses into the of the cloud midst and went up into the mountain. And went Moses was on the mountain forty nights and forty days."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 31:1–18







**LET'S PRAY** Dear God, thank for a good nights' sleep. Lord, I love you and I give You permission to dwell in my heart. Help me to know You more. Please help me understand what I read today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

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# LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

The last piece of furniture to go into the Tabernacle was the Altar of Incense. Our Bible tells us it was to be made of acacia wood and covered with gold. It was to be placed near the curtain separating the Holy from the Most Holy Place. The High Priest would burn incense on the altar every morning and evening. The fire on the altar was kindled by God alone and was Holy. From verse 34 the Bible tells us about a very specific recipe for the incense which God gave to Moses. No one could make it for their own personal use. It was God's special recipe; strict copyright! Verse 17 tells us about the



second piece of furniture in the courtyard. It was the Bronze Laver. The Laver was to be made of pure bronze and made in a bowl shape to hold water so the priests could wash their hands and feet before ministering in the Tabernacle. Verses 23–25 tell us of another special recipe. The Holy Anointing Oil. Again it was to be used for God's purposes only. No one was allowed to replicate it and use it for their own personal use.

Think about the scent that the incense and the oil would have given out when used in the Sanctuary. I'm sure because it was God's special recipe it would have been amazing! Everything that God designs is done with beauty and order.

# **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 30:35**

"You shall make of these an pure incense, a compound according to the perfumer, salted, art of the and holy."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 25:10–40







**LET'S PRAY** Dear God, Help me to more thankful and joyful for what You do for me every day. Please help me to shine for You today. Thank You so much for my Bible. Help me to understand what I read now. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

"Speak also to the children of Israel, saying: 'Surely My Sabbaths you shall keep, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I am the LORD who sanctifies you.'"

### LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Our reading today begins to tell us about the building plans God revealed to Moses. The first piece of furniture was the Ark of the Covenant. This rectangle shaped box was to be made of acacia wood and overlaid with pure gold inside and out. The lid, or mercy seat, was to be made of solid gold with two angels, or cherubim statues, on either end of the lid, facing one another. In the Ark of the Covenant was to be placed the Ten Commandments, a pot of manna and later Aaron's budded rod. Hebrews 9:4 tells us this. The next piece of furniture was the Table of Showbread, which again was made of acacia wood and overlaid with gold. This table was made to hold twelve loaves of

unleavened bread, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. The last piece of furniture, in today's reading, was the Golden Lampstand. This was a beautiful item as it was hammered from one solid piece of gold. It had golden almond blossoms on it, which held the oil by which the lamp burned.

If you didn't see a replica of these items on this particular episode of 'A Day With The King', there may be a picture in your Bible or you can look them up on the Internet. Because God is a God of order and detail, the reading today is very detailed in its description so it may help you to see a picture of these items, while you read these verses.



# **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 25:16**

"And Testimony you shall put into the which I ark will give you."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 30:1–38







**LET'S PRAY** Dear Lord, Thank You for loving me so much. Help me to share Your love with others. Teach me to be more like You. Help me to understand Your Word today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

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### LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

From our reading today, God told Moses that his brother Aaron and Aaron's sons were to serve as priests in the Sanctuary. God again was very particular and gave Moses very detailed plans on the clothing they were to wear. The first item was the ephod, which was like an apron, but a magnificent one! It was to be skilfully woven with linen and gold, blue, purple and scarlet thread. Joined together at each of the shoulders was a huge onyx stone with the names of the 12 sons of Jacob engraved on them; six on each. On top of the ephod was a breast plate made of the same material and folded into a square and hung by gold chains and blue cord from the onyx stones on the

shoulders. Embedded in the breastplate was to be placed 12 precious stones with the names of each of the 12 sons of Jacob engraved on them. Verse 30 tells us that there were to be two extra stones embedded in the breastplate. One was on the left and the other was on the right. These were called the Urim and the Thummim. We will learn about them in another study. Under the ephod was to be a blue robe with golden bells and blue, purple and scarlet pomegranates sewn on the hem. Under that was a fine linen tunic. From verse 36 onward the Bible explains the rest of the clothing and what Aaron's sons were to wear. Check out Revelation 21:19-20. Are there any similarities regarding the stones?



# **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 28:18**

"The turquoise row shall be second a, a diamond, and a sapphire."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 26:1–37







**LET'S PRAY** Dear Lord, thank You for my family. Thank You for my safe keeping. Help me to be kind to others just as You are kind to Me. Please forgive me for my sins. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

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### LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Today our reading tells us about the Tabernacle, which was to contain the furniture we studied about yesterday. The Tabernacle was a rectangle shaped structure divided into two rooms. The larger room, being the first apartment, was called the Holy Place and the smaller room, being the second apartment, was called the Most Holy Place, which contained the Ark of the Covenant. The Tabernacle was made up of boards of acacia wood covered with gold. There were twenty boards standing upright along each side and six along the back with two extra corner boards. Four pillars separated the Holy from the Most Holy Place with a beautiful curtain embroidered with angels on it hanging



between the pillars. Five pillars were at the entrance of the Tabernacle with another curtain. The boards were joined together for strength using bars and sockets. There were four layers of material to form the roof of the Tabernacle. The first layer was made of linen that had the colours of blue, purple and scarlet on it and had embroidered angels woven into it. The second layer was goat's hair and the third layer was ram skins dyed red. The fourth layer of material, which was the outer layer, was badgers skin. Think about those layers. Did God have a purpose for the selection of these materials and the order in which they were to be placed?

# **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 26:14**

"ram shall also make You a covering of skins dyed red for badger the tent, and a covering of skins above that."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 28:1–43







**LET'S PRAY** Dear God, I praise and thank You for another day. May I not forget You as I go about my busy day. Lord, I want to be helpful to someone today, please send someone my way. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### **MEMORY VERSE - EXODUS 31:13**

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# LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Another piece of furniture that God wanted to be made was the Altar of Burnt Offering, or another name for it was the Brazen or Bronze Altar. This was to be placed outside in the court surrounding the Tabernacle. The Altar was to be made of acacia wood and overlaid with bronze. This was where the burnt offerings of the animals were to be made. The courtyard was to be fenced with linen. The length of the courtyard was a hundred cubits long, which is about forty-six metres. The width was to be fifty cubits wide, which is about twenty-three metres. The height



of the fence was five cubits, which is over two metres high. The gate of the courtyard was an embroidered curtain of blue, purple and scarlet thread. Verse 20 tells us that the oil pressed from olives was to be used as the oil for the Golden Lampstand in the Tabernacle. The olive oil was to be pure with nothing else added to it.

Have you noticed in our readings over the last few days that all the measurements are in cubits? In the dictionary of the 'Remnant Young Scholar Study Bible' it tells us a cubit is a measurement from the elbow to the tip of the middle finger, which is about eighteen inches.

# **UNSCRAMBLE THIS VERSE - EXODUS 27:17**

"All the bands around the silver court shall have of silver; their hooks shall be of and their sockets pillars of bronze."

# THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ: Exodus 27:1–21



