

Big Big House

Intro

- Will review the last two weeks as part of today, getting the pig picture.
- Going to go through this academically from the inside out, then outside in with spiritual application.
- **Exodus 25:8-9**, the immediate purpose of all of this. The tabernacle is a shadow of God's throne room in heaven. It's a foreshadowing, a picture of Jesus.

Tabernacle proper

- Overview slide, courtyard, tabernacle proper. Pillar of cloud/fire.
- Zoom-in slide of just tabernacle.
- [Show tabernacle structure video.](#)
- Plan view slide
- Materials slide
- Coverings slide
- Ark slide, mention the shekina glory.
- Veil slide
- Showbread slide
- Lampstand slide
- Alter of incense slide
- What would it be like to stand in there? The sights and smells.

Courtyard proper

- Same overview slide
- [Show courtyard video.](#)
- Plan view slide
- Fence slide
- Gate slide
- Bronze alter slide
- [Bronze alter video](#)
- Bronze laver slide
- [Bronze laver video](#)
- Big overview slide

Spiritual application walkthrough

- **Fence.** From a distance you see this white fence, this funky grayish thing, maybe some of the gold if you're at the right angle, and smoke in addition to the pillar of cloud. As you get closer you see mostly just the white and the hardware providing the structure.
 - White speaks of righteousness, purity. Bronze speaks of judgment. Silver speaks of redemption. Biblical patterns.
 - It is God's righteousness that separates us from Him. His judgment, which is His right to condemn, and His redemption, His right to redeem, support His righteousness.

- It is through faith in **Jesus** that we have the righteousness of God, because the judgment of God was met in Jesus, and redemption to God is attained through Jesus. **Book of Romans**.
- **Gate. Gate slide.** As you walk around it you find there is only one way in. One door, one gate. **John 14:6. John 10:9.**
- **Bronze altar. Slide.** Once inside you encounter this bronze altar with various animals cooking on it. Bronze and fire speak of judgment because bronze can endure heat while fire consumes.
 - Among other animals, lambs were sacrificed. "**Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world!**"
 - **Hebrews, 1 Peter** speak of **Jesus** as the sacrificial lamb. **Revelation** describes a lamb that is alive but looks as though it had been slain. **2 Corinthians 5:21.**
- **Traveling slide.**
- **Bronze laver. Slide.** Holds or pours out water for cleansing. If they didn't before going into the tabernacle they would die. From this vessel of judgment pours forth water that cleanses. **Jesus**, He who took upon Himself our judgment, is the source of that which purifies us, makes us clean to enter God's presence. **John 4, Ephesians 5.**
- **Curtain, gold pillars. Slide.** Gold speaks of God's glory and purity. God's glory resting on His righteousness (bronze sockets). Pass His judgment to enter in. Curtain as with the one door/gate.
- **Inside tabernacle. Slide.** In here God's glory rests on His redemption (silver sockets). Look up, in front, and behind, surrounded by angels, just as in Revelation. Only from inside can you see the ceiling. **Psalms 61:3-4.** Smells! Brightness!
- **Lampstand. Slide.** Only source of light, fueled by oil. **Jesus** said "**I am the light of the world.**" Oil is a picture of the HS. **Jesus** promised the HS to fuel us to be His light.
- **Showbread. Slide.** **Jesus** said "**I am the bread of life, bread from heaven.**" Communion.
- **Alter of incense. Slide.** Incense a picture of prayer. God collects our prayers in bowls in **Revelation**. It's only through **Jesus** that we can pray to the Father. Blood from annual sacrifice put on horns.
- **Veil.** (same slide) Final layer of separation. Supported by God's glory standing on His redemption. Veil in temple torn from top to bottom, 18" thick, when **Jesus** died. No more separation because of Him.
- One last look around. **Slide.**
- **Ark and mercy seat. Slide.** Source of light is God's presence. Blood from sacrifice sprinkled on mercy seat. Surrounded by God's glory resting on His redemption.
 - Inside the ark are the stone tablets of the 10 commandments, God's law. If violated, judgment.
 - God's mercy seat with the blood of the lamb, **Jesus**, on it covers the law and judgment. You have to move God's mercy to get to His judgment.

Wrap up

- **Jesus** is the way to the father. **Jesus** is the sacrifice that pays for sin. **Jesus** is the water that washes and purifies. **Jesus** is the light that illuminates our spirits. **Jesus** is the bread that feeds our souls. **Jesus** is means by which our prayers ascend to the

Father. **Jesus'** death tore down the wall of separation. **Jesus'** blood facilitates God's mercy and covers God's judgment. **Jesus'** rightful place is on the throne of our lives.

- **Jesus** invites us into His presence. Have you invited Him into yours?