

GOD'S SANCTUARY AND TEMPLE OF BELIEVERS quotes

1) The Earthly Sanctuary

A series of 9 parts.

Parts 1 and 2 were an overview of this Earthly Sanctuary.

Part 3 showed how this earthly Sanctuary was designed, including why only Shittim wood was used but no other wood.

Parts 4-5 revealed what kind of sacrifices were offered, and the reasons why, especially what spiritual lessons these taught us.

Parts 6-8 investigated into the priesthood that officiated in this Sanctuary of God. It also revealed that the garments of the high priest were different than what the common priests wore, and what spiritual truths each of these different articles revealed, including why there were fashioned pomegranates on the bottom of his garment.

Part 9 showed that the various daily services performed within this Sanctuary all tended towards one specific and most important day of the year – the Day of Atonement. The 12 different steps which the high priest performed on this special day in order to cleanse the priesthood, the children of Israel, and the Sanctuary itself from all sin and thus provide an atonement between them and God was examined. And then the great spiritual lessons of these were discovered.

In all 9 parts of this series, all things connected with this earthly Sanctuary were revealed to be fully symbolic of, and pointed to, some important point of truth involved in the great plan of our redemption and salvation from sin and Lucifer which our great God and Father, our Lord God Jesus Christ and God the Holy Spirit have and are continuing to fulfill because of Their tender and infinite love for all of fallen mankind. This was substantiated by the fact that when the arrangement of this earthly Sanctuary is seen from above, the form of a cross is clearly displayed.

2) The Heavenly Sanctuary

A series of 5 parts.

Parts 1-2 revealed Scriptural proof of there being a Sanctuary and Temple of God in heaven, of which the earthly was a pattern of. This heavenly Sanctuary is unimaginably huge, and includes a fiery Crystal Sea of Glass, as well as having 24 human elders sitting on 24 thrones in addition to God on His throne, and Jesus Christ as our High Priest and Mediator before the Father began ministering in its first apartment just after His ascension from earth in 31AD.

Parts 3-4 revealed the exact time when Christ's ministerial work ceased in the first apartment and then He began ministering in the second to accomplish the Atonement. Also once Jesus completes His ministerial atoning duties, the 11 different consecutive things which occur afterwards were understood.

Part 5 showed other glorious aspects of this heavenly sanctuary, including the position and work of the heavenly angels, and why there is a Crystal Sea of Glass mingled with fire.

In all 5 parts of this second series, all things connected with this heavenly Sanctuary were seen to be involved in the great plan of our redemption and salvation from sin and Lucifer which our great God and Father, our Lord God Jesus Christ and God the Holy Spirit have and are continuing to fulfill because of Their tender and infinite love for all of fallen mankind.

3) “Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?” Psalms 77:13.

4) The Human Sanctuary

First - a series of 18 parts, and second - another series of 12 parts.

First series:

Part 1 discovered that the mighty Godhead desires to make each one of us into a holy Temple, but first we must prepare and cleanse ourselves through repentance, reformation and obedience to all God’s commands so that we can become sanctified mentally, spiritually and physically from all sin, wickedness and filthiness.

Part 2 examined the processes involved in becoming mentally cleansed and sanctified.

Part 3 investigated into the processes of becoming spiritually cleansed and sanctified, which deals with our soul or inner person – including our emotions, conscience and motives.

Parts 4-16, examined the forms of emotions which need to be cleansed and sanctified.

Parts 5-16 explored into the most noble of all our emotions which is love in 4 main areas. Parts 5-8 dealt with the first main area of the emotion of love which is sexual in nature, including the proper manifestation of love in marriage, how to correct different problems in marriage, who to marry, and self control before marriage. Parts 9-16 dealt with the remaining 3 main areas of the emotion of love which are all non-sexual in nature. Parts 9-10 dealt with the 2nd type – which is love shown to family members, such as parents/in-laws to their children/step-children, and children to their parents, or siblings/half-siblings to each other, etc. Part 11 dealt with the 3rd main type – which is love shown to non-family members, such as neighbors, friends and even strangers. Parts 12-16 dealt with the 4th main type – which is love being shown to our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, including who to love, as well as how to correctly handle problems occurring between brethren.

Parts 17-18 revealed how to cleanse our physical bodies, which involve following all 8 laws of health.

Second series:

Introduction through Power Point revealing that the human body itself was specifically formed and created by God as an antitype of the Earthly Sanctuary. Parts 1-12 showed how each of the 12 major body systems proved this to be true.

Part 1 dealt with the Brain and Nervous system.

Part 2 dealt with the Endocrine system.

Part 3 dealt with the Skeletal system.

Part 4 dealt with the Integumentary (Skin) system.

Part 5 dealt with the Muscular system.

Part 6 dealt with the Respiratory system.

Part 7 dealt with the Cardiovascular system.

Part 8 dealt with the Lymphatic system.

Part 9 dealt with the Digestive system.

Part 10 dealt with the Urinary system.

Part 11 dealt with the Female Reproductive system.

Part 12 dealt with the Male Reproductive system.

A summary of the highlights of each of these 12 major body systems ended this presentation.

Throughout this complete 3rd series showing that the human body is indeed created to be a Sanctuary and Temple of God, two main Scriptural truths were clearly seen depicted over and over again:

"What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God...therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20.

"I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; and that my soul knoweth right well." Pslams 139:14.

5) The 4th Temple

"If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, **Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.** Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light".
1 Peter 2:3-9.

So this 4th temple is made up of lively stones, or stones that are living. Jesus Christ is one of these living stones – because He’s referred to as the Chief Corner Stone or Head of the corner of this Temple. And Jesus is indeed the Rock or “stone” which Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream which “was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. Then...the stone...became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth” (Daniel 2:34-35).

But since Jesus Christ is this great Chief corner stone, then who are all the rest of the lively stones? These other living stones are those who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour: these are those who have overcome the same way that Christ their Saviour overcame (Revelation 3:21); these are those who through obedience unto God and suffering are made perfect just as their Lord Himself was (Hebrews 5:8-9); these are those who have become one with Christ and part of His spiritual body (Ephesians 5:30-32), and these are those who have tasted and know from personal experience that the Lord is gracious.

“O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.”
Psalms 34:8.

“All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD swore unto your fathers. And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee...to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no. And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna...that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.”
Deuteronomy 8:1-3.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. I am that bread of life....This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world....Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever....It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.” John 6:47-48, 50-51, 53-54, 63.

“For through him [Jesus] we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.” Ephesians 2:18-22.

6) A stone which has been freshly cut out of a rock quarry is not yet ready to instantly become part of a building. It must first go through the process of chiseling and shaping it into proper shape, and once it has endured through this refining process then it can be used in constructing the building.

So after we have been quarried out of the world and from all the corrupt apostate churches, we must also go through this chiseling and shaping process. We must allow all our rough and sharp edges of character to be chiseled away; we must allow ourselves to be continuously formed, shaped, squared, smoothed and then finally polished up; and we allow this entire shaping process to occur in us because we have chosen to “live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord”. After enduring through all this process, becoming perfectly shaped in Christ Jesus, then the Holy Spirit precisely fits us into our proper place with all the other living stones to unitedly form God’s holy living Temple and church, which does not have “spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing” (Ephesians 5:23-27); and this entire holy Temple of God’s living followers is firmly supported and resting on that Chief Corner Stone – the Rock Christ Jesus.

7) “And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.” Revelation 21:3.

8) “Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth....Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain [crucified self in] them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments are as the light that goeth forth.” Hosea 6:1-3, 5.

“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.” Revelation 22:17.

May you indeed “be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God” (Ephesians 3:18-19). May you indeed fully cooperate in allowing God and His word to cleanse, sanctify and purify you from all mental, spiritual and physical filthiness, imperfection and sin so that God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit can finally be in direct personal and loving connection you Their precious Redeemed child for eternity!