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SERMON SERIES WORSHIP IN THE WILDERNESS, EXODUS PART 3 "WORSHIP AT THE MERCY SEAT"

Exodus 25:10-22

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I. Worship at the mercy seat reveals our need for mercy (vv. 10-22).

"You shall put into the ark the testimony that I shall give you."

"You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold ... on top of the ark"

Genesis 3:24 2 Samuel 6:6-7 Psalm 99:1 Isaiah 6:5 Ezekiel 1:5-8, 10-11 Romans 5:12, 16

"We often forget how strong sin it- what a bondage! Beneath all our sins lie our stubborn hearts filled with darkness that want their own way."

-Jack Miller

II. Worship at the mercy seat receives God's mercy (vv. 17-21).

"Mercy seat"

Leviticus 16:14 Psalm 32:1-2 Romans 3:22-5 Hebrews 2:17 1 John 2:1-2; 4:10

"God is so ready to mercy, that he delights in it, and delights in Christ, through whom he may show mercy, notwithstanding his justice, as being fully satisfied in Christ."

-Richard Sibbes

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III. Worship at the mercy seat receives God's instruction (vv. 22).

"There will I meet with you"

"above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim".

"speak with you about all that I will give you in commandment"

Psalms 25:4-5, 8-11; 32:8-9 Mark 28:19-20 Revelation 11:19

"What you need to pray is "Lord, I'm going to be in shambles today. I need your grace desperately." You won't pray this way unless you see your need."

-Jack Miller

"The very heart of prayer is coming to the end of self, and giving up your pride. Pray and let God work in your heart to dig out all that wrong, and clothe you in love."

-Jack Miller