

I. THE TABERNACLE IN WILDERNESS (Heb.9:1-10; see Ex.25-31,35-39)

A. REGULATIONS OF WORSHIP FOR THE EARTHLY TABERNACLE (9;1; see Ex.,Lev.)

B. REGULATIONS FOR THE THINGS (9:1-5)

1. first tent: the Holy Place (2a,c)
2. furniture: lamp, table, bread (2b)
3. second veil, tent: the Holy of Holies (3)
4. furniture: gold incense altar, gold box of covenant (4a; "having")
5. contents of box: gold jar of manna, Aaron's rod that budded, the tablets of the covenant (4b)
6. high above box: cherubim of glory overshadowing mercy seat (5a /Ps80:1;99:1; Is6:1f; Ezk10:1 /1Chr28:2)
7. all these items sufficient for his purpose (5b)

C. REGULATIONS FOR THE ACTIONS (9:6,7)

1. into first tent: priests, continual worship (6)
2. into second tent: once/year, only High Priest, blood necessary (7; see 9:11-10:25; Lv.16, Day of Atonement)

D. SIGNIFICANCE OF ALL (9:8-10)

1. a clear declaration by the Holy Spirit (8a)
2. not yet manifested the way to the Holy Places (8b)
3. as long as the first tents have standing (8c; see 8:13)
4. a temporary *picture* for the time being (9a)
5. gifts & sacrifices offered *not* powerfully effect complete conscience in worshipper (9b /13,14; 10:4f)
6. only dietary laws and cleansing rituals, temporary regulations for the *flesh* (10a; see 13)
7. until a season of straightening out is superimposed (10b; see 9a; 11f; 23)

E. THE POINT: GAIN ENTRANCE INTO THE HOLY OF HOLIES (8,9; see 6:19f; 10:19f)

II. THE WAY INTO THE HOLY PLACE (9:8; see 6:19f; 10:19f)

A. OUR ORIGINAL HOME (Gen.2,3)

1. a garden toward the east in Eden (v.8)
2. trees, river, gold, precious stones (2:9f; see Ezk.28:13f)
3. promise of a someone to undo the fall (3:15; see Rom.5:14; 1Cor.15:45; see Heb.9:7f)
4. the way to the tree of life (3:24d; see Heb.9:8)
5. guarded by cherubim and flaming sword (3:24; see Is.6:2f,6; seraphim)
6. at the east of the garden of Eden (3:24; see 4:16; 11:2)
7. summary: where God is; open door, light on, go west

B. THE OLD COVENANT HOLY PLACES

1. The Tabernacle in the Wilderness (above; see Heb.9:1f; Ex.,Lev; note: gold, cherubim, east)
2. The Temple in Zion (1Kngs.6; see Ezk.47)
 - a. gold; cherubim; trees, flowers (1Kngs.6:20f)
 - b. precious stones (1Chr.29:2; see Ex.25:7f)
 - c. river (Ezk.47:1f)
 - d. east (Ezk.10:19; 11:1,23; 42:15; 43:1f)

C. OUR NEW COVENANT HOME (Heb.4:16(9:5); 6:19f; 7:25; 8:1f; 9:11f; 10:19f; 11:13; 12:18f,22f/Col.3:1f; Phil.3:20)

D. OUR FINAL HOME (Rev.21:22)

1. heavenly Jerusalem (21:2f; see Heb.12:22)
2. precious stones (21:10f, 19f; see Ezk.28:13f; Ex.28:17f)
3. gold (21:15,18,21)
4. temple (21:22; see Ps.80:1; 99:1)
5. river of the water of life (22:1f; see Ezk.47:1f)
6. tree of life (22:2f)

III. SOMEONE HAS COME TO TAKE YOU HOME! (Heb.; 1Pt.3:18; Eph.2:18; 3:12; see Jn.3:16; 14:2-6; Mt.11:28; Lk.9:23)

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)