We are saved by His Blood; Romans 3:25; 5:9.

HOW DO WE ENTER THROUGH THE GATE?

The gate was wide. The gospel invitation is for the "Whoso-ever will."

Christ did not say He was a way or a good way or even the best way to God but He declared He is the ONLY way; John 14:6

One door and only one And yet its sides are two, The inside and outside -On which side are you?

It is not enough to be able to describe a door, one must go through it. It is not enough to know that Christ is the Door or even to urge others to go through Him to salvation.

Each person is responsible to **take that step of faith** for themselves and enter through Christ the Door.

We need to be able to say - not only that He is A Saviour, or that He is The Saviour - but that He is My Saviour, My God, My King, My Friend.

Teachings From The Tabernacle

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Message 1
Introduction To The Tabernacle

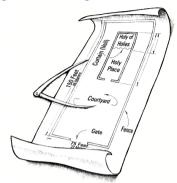
WHY THIS STUDY IS IMPORTANT

- 1) *The PROMINENCE* given to it in scripture. Fifty chapters in the Old Testament are taken up with the materials, measurements, ministry and the making of the Tabernacle, as well as much of the book of Hebrews. The creation of the universe is described in only a few chapters.
- 2) *The PATTERN* for it came from God. Exodus 25:9,40 states it was God designed this building. God showed Moses the pattern on the Mount of God.
- 3) *The PURPOSE* for which it was built. Exodus 25:8,22. It enabled a Holy God to dwell among sinful men. It reveals how sinners can come to Lord and fellowship with Him.
- 4) The PICTURE it gives to us.

It is a wonderful illustration of the Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 24:26,27; John 1:14).

It is a pattern, an example, a figure and a shadow of the

heavens (Hebrews 8:5; 9:8,9,23,24; 10:1) All important N.T. doctrines are seen in object lesson form by simply looking at the diagram of the Tabernacle.



5) What it PRODUCED in Moses.

Exodus 34:29,30 states the face of Moses shone after he spent time on the Mount with God.

It was there he received the plan of the Tabernacle. In studying the Tabernacle we can see the Glory of God; 2 Corinthians 3:13-18.

6) The PRESENCE of God filled it.

When the Tabernacle was built and consecrated the Glory of God filled the building; Exodus 40:35.

Exodus 27:9-19

THE COURT

It was the place of Pardon, Peace, Prayer, Praise and Protection (Psalm 65:4,84:2; 92:13; 100:4).

THE FENCE

White Linen represents God's Righteousness (Revelation 19:18).

The Brass foundation spoke of the Judgment of God (Revelation 1:14,15); the silver spoke of Redemption.

- <u>To those OUTSIDE</u>. The fence prevented sinners from approaching unto God (Romans 1:17; 3:21).
- <u>To those INSIDE</u>. The fence provided security. The believer is shielded by the Righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21).

THE GATE (v16)

CHRIST IS THE GATE TO HEAVEN

Is an illustration of Christ. He is the only entrance into Heaven (John 10:9; 14:6).

HOW HE BECAME THE GATE TO HEAVEN

The 4 <u>Supports</u> held up the curtain to view. The 4 Gospels, hold up Christ to our gaze. The <u>colours</u> illustrate Christ's Person and work

1 **BLUE** ... He is the <u>Lord from Heaven</u> (John 1:1,14; 3:13,31; 20:31).

No genealogy is given because as God He had none.

2 WHITE LINEN ... The word for linen in the Hebrew denoted it was white. Linen comes from a plant, which grows in the earth.

Luke sets forth Christ as <u>the perfect man</u>. His genealogy is traced back to Adam (Luke 3:38).

3 **PURPLE** ... the King (Matthew 1:1; 2:2; 28:18).

4 **SCARLET** ... (Psalm 22:6). In Mark, Christ is presented as the <u>Suffering Servant</u>. No genealogy is given.