It is a description of what he can still do in your life and in your Church.

May the Glory of the Lord fill His Tabernacle. Exodus 40v34

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# **Teachings From The Tabernacle**

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Message 6 The Building of the Tabernacle

Exodus 25:1-9; chs. 35-40

In the Old Testament God had a building for His people. In the New Testament God's people are His building. The Church is His dwelling place; Ephesians 2:20.21; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Hebrews 3:6; 1 Peter 2:5.

## 1. THE COMMENCEMENT

(A) PLAN; 35:4-19.

Willing wise hearted people were to give. God blesses a cheerful giver. They gave their very shoe leather and during their journey in the wilderness their shoes never wore out Ezekiel 16:10; Deuteronomy 8:4; 29:5,

(B) PROBLEM; 35:20-29; 36:3-7.

They brought too much and had to be restrained from giving.

## 2. THE CONSTRUCTION

(A) LED BY SPIRIT-FILLED WORKERS; 35:30-36:2.

(B) LIST OF EACH ITEM MADE; 36:8-39:31.

#### 3. THE COMPLETION

#### (A) WORK FINISHED AND PRESENTED; 39:32-41.

Note that the expression, "As God had commanded" occurs 10 times in chapter 39.

There was a variety of tasks to be done. Some worked with gold, some with silver while others collected and spun goat's hair. All the jobs were important.

1 Corinthians 12 ... Every believer has a gift from The Spirit.

(B) WORK INSPECTED AND APPROVED; 39:42,43.

As Moses inspected the work that had been done so the Lord Jesus Christ inspects our labours for Him. How wonderful to be able to receive His "well done".

## 4. THE CONSECRATION

### (A) SETTING UP OF THE TABERNACLE; 40:2-11, 17-33.

Everything was put into its proper place.

(B) SANCTIFICATION OF THE PRIESTS; 40:12-16;31,32.

They were cleansed, clothed and consecrated.

(C) SACRIFICE OFFERED; 40:29.

(D) SUPERNATURAL WITNESS OF GOD; 40:34-38

The Tabernacle was still an empty building until suddenly, supernaturally and sovereignly the Glory of God filled the house.

The 'Glory of God' showed that He had accepted their work; that He alone is Sovereign and that He authenticated His servants' claims.

• Apostates were destroyed by that 'Glory,' Numbers 16:12-35.

• Unsaved will be destroyed by the Glory of His coming. 2 Thessalonians 1:8; Revelation 6:15-17

• We saw the Glory of God in the Face of Jesus Christ when we were saved; 2 Corinthians 4:6.

• We continue to see His Glory revealed in scripture; 2 Corinthians 3:18.

• One day we will see Christ's Glory when He returns; Revelation 21:3; 22:4.

In the meantime we ought to pray that His Glory will fill His Church in revival blessing.

We long for an extraordinary sense of God's Majesty and Holiness to be present in our services.

This is not simply a lecture on the subject of, "What God did in the Tabernacle 3,500 years ago."