

Part 2 "Presence"

Genesis 3:8 "And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool (ruach) of the day." Genesis 4:26 "To Seth, to him also a son was born; and he called his name Enosh. Then men began to call upon the name of the LORD."

God wants to walk with man, and wanted a family

Exodus 25:8 "Then have them make a sanctuary (mikdash) for me, and I will dwell (shakan) among them." Exodus 24:11 "But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank."

God initiated Build me a Tabernacle that I might dwell among them.

Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, Ithamar, **Eleazar** (Satan's attack on the Priesthood)

 Philistines steal the ark because of sin with Eli and Sons (sons of Ithamar- 1 Samuel 4-5).

The ark remains disconnected for around 100 years (Satan's attack against the presence)

Beth-Shemesh judged then ark moved to Kiriath-Jearim house of Abinidab.

- The ark is returned by the Philistines on a cart
- Eleazar was appointed to watch over the Ark
- Tabernacle apparently moved from Shiloh to Nob and was just a dead ritual without the presence of the Lord. Tabernacles possible last reference at a high place in Gibeon 1 Chron 16:39-40.
- Saul kills the priests at Nob (1 Sam 22:18-19)

David wants God's presence and creates the Tabernacle of David which makes way for the Temple of Solomon. (2 Samuel 6) but 1st attempt Uzzah dies and Obed-Edom houses ark.

- Solomon's glorious Temple is built (1 Kings 8)
- The priests are put into place
- The blood sacrifices are honored the glory comes to the Temple

The Sins of the Israel and the Priests

Ezekiel 8:5 "Then He said to me, "Son of man, raise your eyes now toward the north." So I raised my eyes toward the north, and behold, to the north of the altar gate *was* this idol of jealousy at the entrance. ⁶ And He said to me, "Son of man, do you see what they are doing, the great abominations which the house of Israel are committing here, so that I would be far from My sanctuary? But yet you will see still greater abominations."

⁷ Then He brought me to the entrance of the court, and when I looked, behold, a hole in the wall. ⁸ He said to me, "Son of man, now dig through the wall." So I dug through the wall, and behold, an entrance. ⁹ And He said to me, "Go in and see the wicked abominations that they are committing here." ¹⁰ So I entered and looked, and behold, every form of creeping things and beasts *and* detestable things, with all the idols of the house of Israel, were carved on the wall all around. ¹¹ Standing in front of them were seventy elders of the house of Israel, with Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan standing among them, each man with his censer in his hand and the fragrance of the cloud of incense rising.

Ezekiel sees the glory depart from the Temple because of sin in Chapters 10-11

There is a pattern into the presence of the Lord in the Tabernacle and we need unstructured services.

Being willing to be different than the norm (weathering the persecution that came with that). **Tabernacle pattern for revival.** I believe the Tabernacle teachings created a pattern that brought a powerful move of God.

- John 1:14 " the Word became flesh, and dwelt (Tabernacled) among us, and we saw His **glory**, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth."
- Gate is the pure gospel
- Bronze altar...table of showbread....mercy seat: communion
- Laver examining ourselves
- Welcoming the person and work of the Holy Spirit: menorah
- Spirit led praise, worship, prayer, intercession: incense
- Freedom in services to move with the Holy Spirit

The power of God

- 1 Cor 4:20 "For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power."
- Acts 10:38 "You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit
 and with power, and how He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed
 by the devil, for God was with Him."
- Acts 1:8 "but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses."
- Luke 5:17 "One day He was teaching; and there were some Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting there, who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem; and the power of the Lord was present for Him to perform healing."
- Matthew 12:28 "But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."