

THE TABERNACLE

Exodus 25:8 - And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them.
9 According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle
and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it.

I. Introduction (Exodus 24:3-8; Ex 25:1-2)

- a. It starts with the altar and the heart, but it doesn't end there.
 - b. God has designed for us to encounter Him in another patterned sacred place.
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II. The Tabernacle (Ex 29:43-46)

- a. God gives the pattern for the tabernacle and all its furnishings.
 - b. The purpose = that they we would meet with God.
 - c. Only then "knowing God" can be the result.
 - d. You would think Israel living through the Ten Plagues in Egypt would have equaled them "knowing God" but it didn't.
 - e. Presence vs. Present Encounter with the Presence
 - i. There is a difference between God's Omnipresence & meeting with God.
 - ii. There is a difference between His Omnipresence & encountering His presence.
 - iii. Jacob's Encounter (Gen 28)
 - f. God desired for what happened with Moses and His tent to happen in everyone's tent. (Ex 33:7-10)
 - g. For hearts and homes (tabernacles) to be a dwelling place of God.
 - h. Not every person sought the Lord through the pattern of the tabernacle.
 - i. God's design makes it clear that altars and hearts are not enough for the journey ahead.
 - j. A distinct difference between the temple & the tabernacle is that tabernacle is mobile.
 - k. The tabernacle relates and speaks to us deeply about transitions along the journey of following Jesus.
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III. The Journey (Ex 40:36-38)

- a. The tabernacle speaks to the known vs. the unknown along the journey.
 - b. There will be enemies that though defeated, must be driven out of the way (Ex 23:29-30).
 - c. Do not make major transitions and moves without the Lord moving.
 - d. What about when you have been camped in the same place for a "long" time?
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IV. In the Senses

Exodus 24:9-11 - Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, & seventy of the elders of Israel, 10 and they saw the God of Israel. And there was under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in its clarity. 11 But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate & drank.

Exodus 24:7 - Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has said we will do, and be obedient."

Exodus 40:38 - For the cloud of the Lord was above the tabernacle by day, and fire was over it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

- a. The tabernacle is a pattern of keeping God in your senses during the journey.
- b. The tabernacle is the reality we can experience God even in the mundane routine, waiting for God's next clear moving and direction.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

*Sundays in September - 9a +
11a - Meeting Places*

Throughout history, God has chosen to meet with His people in different places. It is remarkable to track the journey of God's own self-disclosure. In this series, we will take a look at the altar, the tabernacle, the temple, and the church. What happens when God's presence is revealed to His people? The reality is that God can move in our day as well with such radical power that the things many of us believe are lost can be renewed, revived, and reformed.

GIVE

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GO

Be on the lookout in upcoming weeks for more opportunities to serve our community!

GROW

*Thursday, September 15
7p - 9p Night Three of our
Fall Semester of Growth
Phases*

You can still join us for our fall semester of Growth Phases. Get signed up today at the Next Steps table. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

GROUP

*Sunday, September 18 -
Connect Group Night*

Connect groups will meet all over the area today. If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

*Saturday, September 17 -
6p - 8:30p - Game Night*

Join us for some game night fun at DP! We will have plenty of choices of games for those 18 years and older. Come prepared to meet new people and get to know those you might not know well.