

Timeline of Truth – Altar of Burnt Offering (Exodus 27:1-8)

<p>Ex 25:9 "According to all that I show you, <i>that is</i>, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make <i>it</i>."</p>	<p>1. God Gives the Pattern to Follow</p>
<p>Ex 25:10-16 "And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two and a half cubits <i>shall be</i> its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height. ¹¹ "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around. ¹² "You shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put <i>them</i> in its four corners; two rings <i>shall be</i> on one side, and two rings on the other side. ¹³ "And you shall make poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. ¹⁴ "You shall put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark, that the ark may be carried by them. ¹⁵ "The poles shall be in the rings of the ark; they shall not be taken from it. ¹⁶ "And you shall put into the ark the Testimony which I will give you."</p>	<p>2. The Ark</p>
<p>Ex 25:17-22 "You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold; two and a half cubits <i>shall be</i> its length and a cubit and a half its width. ¹⁸ "And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work you shall make them at the two ends of the mercy seat. ¹⁹ "Make one cherub at one end, and the other cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim at the two ends of it of <i>one piece</i> with the mercy seat. ²⁰ "And the cherubim shall stretch out <i>their</i> wings above, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and they shall face one another; the faces of the cherubim <i>shall be</i> toward the mercy seat. ²¹ "You shall put the mercy seat on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the Testimony that I will give you. ²² "And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which <i>are</i> on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel."</p>	<p>3. The Mercy Seat</p>
<p>Ex 25:23-30 "You shall also make a table of acacia wood; two cubits <i>shall be</i> its length, a cubit its width, and a cubit and a half its height. ²⁴ "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, and make a molding of gold all around. ²⁵ "You shall make for it a frame of a handbreadth all around, and you shall make a gold molding for the frame all around. ²⁶ "And you shall make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings on the four corners that <i>are</i> at its four legs. ²⁷ "The rings shall be close to the frame, as holders for the poles to bear the table. ²⁸ "And you shall make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be carried with them. ²⁹ "You shall make its dishes, its pans, its pitchers, and its bowls for pouring. You shall make them of pure gold. ³⁰ "And you shall set the showbread on the table before Me always."</p>	<p>4. The Table of Shew Bread</p>
<p>Ex 25:31-40 "You shall also make a lampstand of pure gold; the lampstand shall be of hammered work. Its shaft, its branches, its bowls, its <i>ornamental</i> knobs, and flowers shall be of <i>one piece</i>. ³² "And six branches shall come out of its sides: three branches of the lampstand out of one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side. ³³ "Three bowls <i>shall be</i> made like almond <i>blossoms</i> on one branch, <i>with an ornamental</i> knob and a flower, and three bowls made like almond <i>blossoms</i> on the other branch, <i>with an ornamental</i> knob and a flower-- and so for the six branches that come out of the lampstand. ³⁴ "On the lampstand itself four bowls <i>shall be</i> made like almond <i>blossoms</i>, <i>each with its ornamental</i> knob and flower. ³⁵ "And <i>there shall be</i> a knob under the <i>first</i> two branches of the same, a knob under the <i>second</i> two branches of the same, and a knob under the <i>third</i> two branches of the same, according to the six branches that extend from the lampstand. ³⁶ "Their knobs and their branches <i>shall be of one piece</i>; all of it <i>shall be</i> one hammered piece of pure gold. ³⁷ "You shall make seven lamps for it, and they shall arrange its lamps so that they give light in front of it. ³⁸ "And its wick-trimmers and their trays <i>shall be</i> of pure gold. ³⁹ "It shall be made of a talent of pure gold, with all these utensils. ⁴⁰ "And see to it that you make <i>them</i> according to the pattern which was shown you on the mountain."</p>	<p>5. The Lampstand</p>

<p>Ex 27:1 "You shall make an altar of acacia wood, five cubits long and five cubits wide-- the altar shall be square-- and its height <i>shall be</i> three cubits. ² "You shall make its horns on its four corners; its horns shall be of one piece with it. And you shall overlay it with bronze. ³ "Also you shall make its pans to receive its ashes, and its shovels and its basins and its forks and its firepans; you shall make all its utensils of bronze. ⁴ "You shall make a grate for it, a network of bronze; and on the network you shall make four bronze rings at its four corners. ⁵ "You shall put it under the rim of the altar beneath, that the network may be midway up the altar. ⁶ "And you shall make poles for the altar, poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with bronze. ⁷ "The poles shall be put in the rings, and the poles shall be on the two sides of the altar to bear it. ⁸ "You shall make it hollow with boards; as it was shown you on the mountain, so shall they make <i>it</i>.</p>	<p>6. God Gives the _____ of Altar</p>
<p>Ex 38:1 He made the altar of burnt offering of acacia wood; five cubits <i>was</i> its length and five cubits its width-- <i>it was</i> square-- and its height <i>was</i> three cubits. ² He made its horns on its four corners; the horns were <i>of one piece</i> with it. And he overlaid it with bronze. ³ He made all the utensils for the altar: the pans, the shovels, the basins, the forks, and the firepans; all its utensils he made of bronze. ⁴ And he made a grate of bronze network for the altar, under its rim, midway from the bottom. ⁵ He cast four rings for the four corners of the bronze grating, <i>as</i> holders for the poles. ⁶ And he made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with bronze. ⁷ Then he put the poles into the rings on the sides of the altar, with which to bear it. He made the altar hollow with boards.</p>	<p>7. The Altar Is _____</p>
<p>Ex 40:6 Then you shall set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting.</p>	<p>8. The _____ of the Altar</p>
<p>"This altar was the place of substitutionary sacrifice. The blood of the animal was poured out at the base of the altar, and the body was consumed upon the altar itself. It was the place of death. It stood between the gate of the court and the approach to the tabernacle. It barred the way to everyone who would come. There was no approach to the tabernacle except by way of this altar, which, of course, speaks of the Cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, and also bars the way of every sinner coming to God. Until he stops at this altar and appropriates the blood, and accepts the sacrifice as a substitute, there is no further progress. It was both a way to God, and a barrier to God. If the Israelite brought his offering to the priest, and it was offered on the altar, then he could freely approach into the presence of God. If he, however, sought to approach God except by the death of a substitute and by way of the altar, it barred the way completely. There was no other way into the presence of God." M.R. DeHaan, <i>The Tabernacle</i>, pp. 69-70</p>	
<p>Heb 7:26-27 For such a High Priest was fitting for us, <i>who is</i> holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; ²⁷ who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.</p> <p>Heb 10:11-14 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. ¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.</p>	<p>9. Jesus Is the _____ Sacrifice</p>
<p>Rom 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, <i>which is</i> your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what <i>is</i> that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.</p>	<p>10. We Are to Be _____</p>
<p>Eph 5:1-4 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. ² And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. ⁽³⁻⁴⁾</p> <p>1 Peter 2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.</p> <p>Heb 13:15-16 Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of <i>our</i> lips, giving thanks to His name. ¹⁶ But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.</p>	<p>11. We Are to Offer Up _____</p>