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**Would I Do It Again?**

**YES!**

**We had lots of suggestions and  
did lots of investigation but in  
the end we had no blueprint**



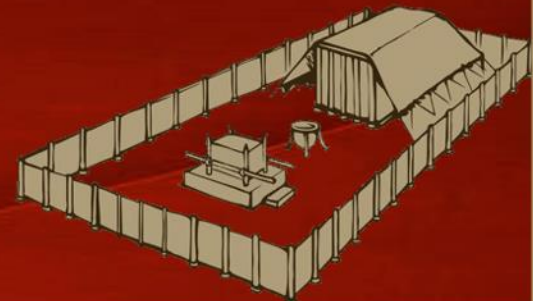
# The Tabernacle



# Time to Go!

In all the travels of the Israelites, whenever the cloud lifted from above the tabernacle, they would set out; but if the cloud did not lift, they did not set out—until the day it lifted. So, the cloud of the Lord was over the tabernacle by day, and fire was in the cloud by night, in the sight of all the Israelites during all their travels.

**Exodus 40:36-38**



# How to Move It!

**6 Carts**  
**12 Oxen**



# How to Move It!

## Man-Power

The ark -- 4 persons

The table of Showbread -- 2 persons

The incense Alter -- 2 persons

The candlestick, plates, silver ware -- 2 persons

The altar -- 8 persons

Utensils for the altar -- 2 persons

Basin and other utensils -- 4 persons

**Total of 24 people.**





**“God this entire church  
thing would have been a lot  
simpler if you had been  
a touch more specific”**



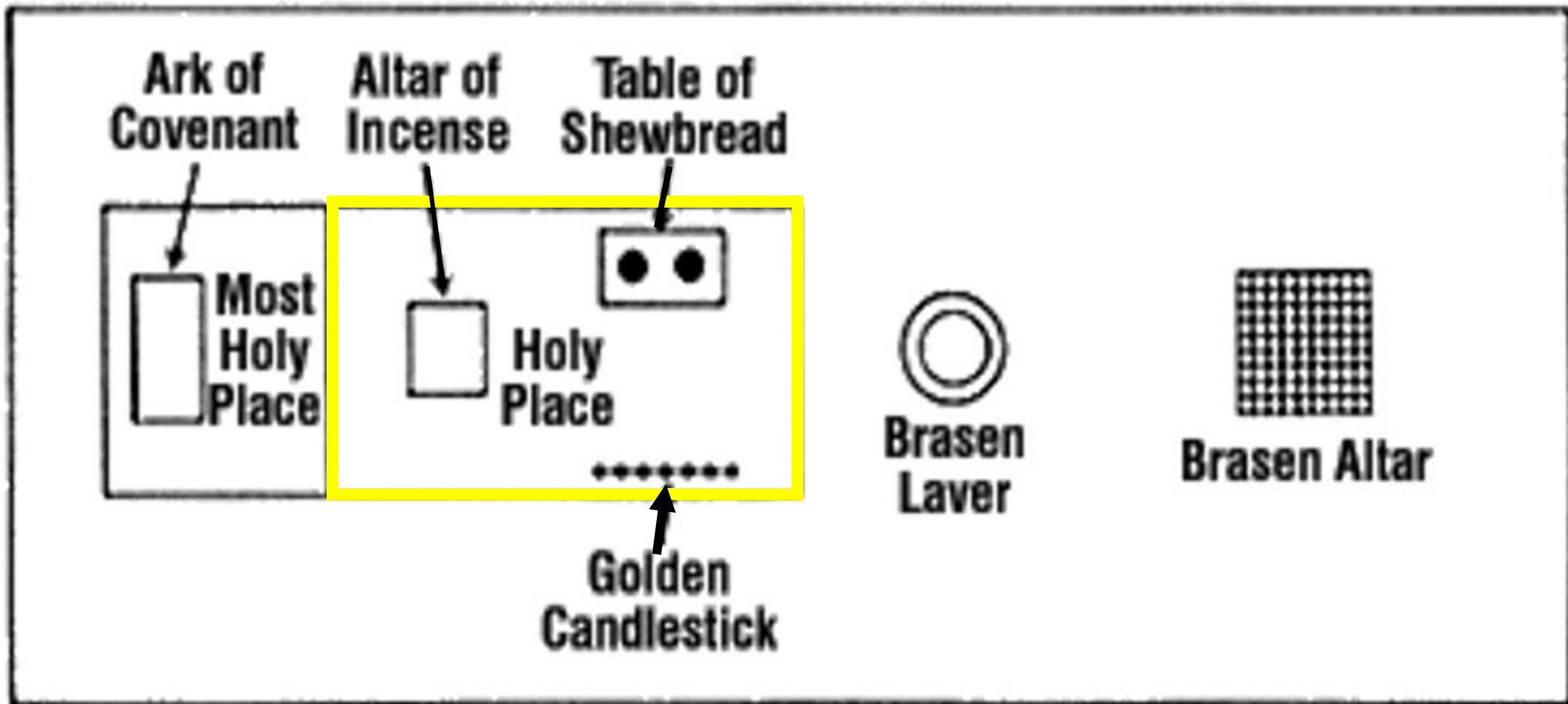
Why can't we have a little  
more detail than just  
**Follow Me?**



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# Alter of Incense



**Exodus 30:1-10**



# Alter of Incense



**Dimensions: 18" X 18" X 36"**

**It was made of wood completely covered in gold**

**Like other items in the tabernacle it had loops on the corners to insert poles for carrying**

**At each corner on the top of the altar there was a horn**



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## The Practical Purpose

It would have served as a small heat source for the attending priests

It would have acted as a glorified air fresher for a structure made of animal hide and used for animal sacrifice



# Alter of Incense

## Worship Symbolism – The Placement

Place the gold altar of incense in front of the ark of the covenant law and put the curtain at the entrance to the tabernacle.



Exodus 40:5

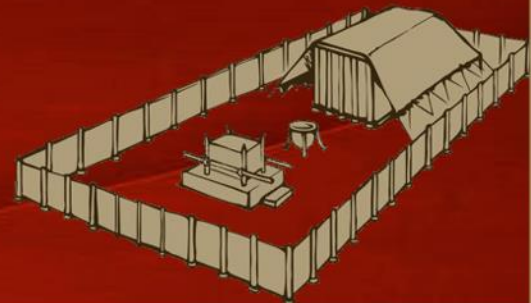


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## Worship Symbolism

The Altar was to be tended twice a day

The Beginning & the End





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## Worship Symbolism – The Offering

Do not offer on this altar any other incense or any burnt offering or grain offering, and do not pour a drink offering on it.



Exodus 30:9



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## Worship Symbolism – Wiped with Blood

Once a year Aaron shall make atonement on its horns. This annual atonement must be made with the blood of the atoning sin offering for the generations to come. It is most holy to the Lord.”

Exodus 30:10



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## Worship Symbolism – The Incense

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Take fragrant spices—gum resin, onycha and galbanum—and pure frankincense, all in equal amounts, and make a fragrant blend of incense, the work of a perfumer. It is to be salted and pure and sacred. Grind some of it to powder and place it in front of



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**the ark of the covenant law in the tent of meeting, where I will meet with you. It shall be most holy to you. Do not make any incense with this formula for yourselves; consider it holy to the Lord. Whoever makes incense like it to enjoy its fragrance must be cut off from their people.”**

**Exodus 30:34-38**



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## Worship Symbolism



**“There I Will Meet You.”**

**It was Special (Holy)**



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## Worship Symbolism – Confession

The priest shall then put some of the blood on the horns of the altar of fragrant incense that is before the Lord in the tent of meeting. The rest of the bull's blood he shall pour out at the base of the altar of burnt offering at the entrance to the tent of meeting.

Leviticus 4:7



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## The Spiritual Application -- Prayer

I call to you, Lord, come quickly to me; hear me when I call to you. May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.

Psalm 141:1-2



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## The Spiritual Application -- Represent

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10





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**The Spiritual Application – (Prayer)**

**Hear my prayer, Lord God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob.**

**Psalm 84:8**



# Standing Before God

For the most part its in private behind the curtain  
just me and God

We do not physically see him, but we are in his presence

We come with the burning desires of our life the sweet  
praise of his blessing

Like the incense recipe, God wants us to come to Him and  
him alone with our prayers

Like the horns of the altar its the place where  
we bring our transgression  
before God



# Ready to Offer!

