

SWORD MINISTRIES (Ephesians 6:17)

EXODUS 24:18; 25:1-9 Moses is called up into the Mount by God, and is given the revelation of the Tabernacle, God's sanctuary.

THE TABERNALE'S TWO ENTRANCES

EXODUS 26:31-37

1. (vv31-35) 'The Veil' - this separated the Holy of Holies from the Holy Place
2. (vv36,37) 'A Hanging for the Door' - this led into the Holy Place from the Outer Court

(vv31-35) THE VEIL

- Just as the revelation of the Tabernacle started in the Holy of Holies, God starts with the entrance closest to Himself.
- It was through this veil that the High Priest entered into the Holy of Holies once a year, into the Presence of Almighty God

The Veil's Different Names in Scripture:

LEVITICUS 4 (vv1-6) *'And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before the LORD, before the veil of the sanctuary...'* this is another name for the veil; once inside the sanctuary it was the only divider between God and the priests'. (vv7-12) *'Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth without the camp...'* the body of the sacrificial victim was burned outside the camp; this perfectly foreshadows the sacrifice of Jesus.

HEBREWS 13 (vv10-13) in the Old Testament, the location outside the camp was deemed unholy, it served to magnify the wickedness of sin. In like manner, Jesus bore His reproach outside of Jerusalem *'...that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate.'*

HEBREWS 9 (vv1-3) *'And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all'* in man's approach to God, it is the second veil he experiences.

NUMBERS 4 (vv1-5) *'And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down the covering veil, and cover the ark of testimony with it'* it was used to cover the Ark when in transit, the people would never see the Ark.

LEVITICUS 24 (vv1-4) *'Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually. Without the veil of the testimony...'* as the veil covered the Ark, it also covered the Testimony (Two Tables of Stone) which were inside the Ark.

(v31) *'And thou shalt make a veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubim shall it be made.'* By comparing this

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verse with **EXODUS 26:1** we read the same description as the first covering for the Tabernacle framework. The same truths are once again set forth: *'blue'* - the color of Heaven; Jesus is the Lord from Heaven; *'purple'* - Jesus' Kingship and riches; *'scarlet'* - the color of blood; Jesus is the sacrificial Lamb; *'fine twined linen'* - Jesus is our righteousness; *'cherubim'* - always guarding the Throne of God.

(v32) *'And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver.'* The same thought of two natures in One Divine Person (wood and gold); and the silver sockets speak of redemption through the blood of Jesus.

(vv33-35) *'And thou shalt hang up the veil under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the veil the ark of the testimony: and the veil shall divide unto you between the holy place and the most holy.'* The purpose of the veil was to separate the Most Holy Place from the Holy Place; in turn separating sinful man from an infinitely Holy God.

HEBREWS 9 (vv1-9) as long as the veil was still up, the way into the Holy of Holies was not manifest, it was not opened. A sign stood in the doorway reading an emphatic STAY OUT!

HEBREWS 10 (vv10-22) *'Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh'* the veil is clearly and visibly a type, a model, a foreshadow, of the body of Jesus Christ!

MATTHEW 27:45-51 The veil is a beautiful picture of Jesus Christ in many ways; for example:

- The veil was ripped while hanging between Heaven and Earth; so Jesus was smitten by God while hanging on the cross
- The veil was ripped from the top, indicating the hand of God; so Jesus was smitten by God's hand (ISAIAH 53:10; ACTS 2:23)
- The veil was completely torn; Jesus' work is finished, He has completely opened the way to God

The moment Jesus died the veil was torn, it went from being a barrier to God to becoming the gateway to God (**JOHN 14:6**). **GENESIS 3 (vv1-10)** before the fall, Adam and Eve had face to face fellowship with God (**vv22-24**) after the fall, the entrance was closed, sealed off by cherubim; what a foreshadow of the embroidered cherubim on the veil! Jesus restored the way to God through His blood, by His death we were reconciled to God. Jesus has made an abundant entrance for us **HEBREWS 6:16-20; 1 JOHN 2:1,2; 2 PETER 1:1-12**

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