

The Tabernacle and the Heavens

I. The Tabernacle was a ‘model’, antitype of the arrangement in the heavens (Heb. 8:5; 9:24).

1. Antitype—type: model—actual

The earthly tabernacle as the antitype of the heavenly items.

The Earthly Tabernacle	Corresponding Heavenly
The <u>Courtyard</u> , 150’ x 75’ Ex. 27:9-14	The first heaven
The <u>Brazen Altar</u> —burnt sacrifices, blood 7.5’ x 7.5’ x 4.5’ h. Ex. 27:1-8	The Cross—in the first heaven Jn. 3:14; 8:28; 12:32-33
The <u>Lavor</u> , about 18” around Ceremonial cleansing for entry to the Holy Place Ex. 30:18-21	Sea of glass Ceremonial cleansing for entrance to Third Heaven Rev. 4:6; Col. 1:20; 1 Jn. 1:9
The <u>Lampstand</u> —Menorah Only light in the Holy Place Ex. 25:31-40	Holy Spirit before the Throne Zech. 4:2, 6, 10; Rev. 5:6
The <u>Table of Showbread</u> Represented the 12 tribes And their Covenant Ex. 25:23-30; Lev. 24:5-9 Renewed weekly	None revealed. (Cf. Jn. 6:31-40, not Manna) ? <i>Paradise?</i> <i>Lu. 23:43; Mt. 12:40; 2 Cor. 12:2, 4; Rev. 6:9-11?</i>
<u>Golden Alter of Incense</u> , 18” x 18” x 36” Ex. 30:1-10; Lev. 16:12-13	Rev. 8:2-6; 5:5-10; 1:6 Prayers of saints
<u>The Veil</u> Separates the Holy Place from the Holy of Holies - Separated man from God (Ex. 26:31-35). - Blue, purple, scarlet: vivid red (Ex. 36: 35). - Covered the Ark during travel (Ex. 40:3). - Between four to six	Thick darkness (Ps. 18:11-13; 97:2 Cf. Ps. 104:1-2; 1 Tim. 6:16; Acts 7:54-56; Heb. 10:19-20). Cherubim around the Throne

inches thick.	
<u>The Ark of the Covenant</u> 45" x 24" x 24" (Ex. 25:10-22). Contained stone tablets, <i>etc.</i> (Ex. 25:16; Heb. 9:1-5).	The Throne Rev. 11:19
<u>The Mercy Seat</u> —place of satisfaction, proprietary • Where God dwelt (Ex. 25:17-22; Lev. 16:2; Nu. 7:89). • Separate item from the Ark (Ex. 26:34). • High priest only able to access twice, on one day, per year (Lev. 16:11-18). • Only accessible by blood.	Christ (Rom. 8:25). Christ's blood





