

Following Jesus in the Sanctuary

From the Series

“The Sanctuary: God’s Plan for Your Lives”

Guiding Passage: **Exodus 25:8–9 (NASB95)** — **8** “Let them *construct a sanctuary for Me, that I may dwell among them.* **9** “According to *all that I am going to show you*, as the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furniture, just so you shall construct it.

Scripture Reading: **Revelation 14:4 (NASB95)** — **4** These are the ones who have not been defiled with women, for they have kept themselves chaste. These are *the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes*. These have been purchased from among men as first fruits to God and to the Lamb.

The Sanctuary is About Jesus

John 1:14 (NASB95) — **14** And the Word became flesh, and *dwelt among us*, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Hebrews 10:5 (NASB95) — **5** Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, “SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, BUT *A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME*;

Jesus Describes Himself as the Temple

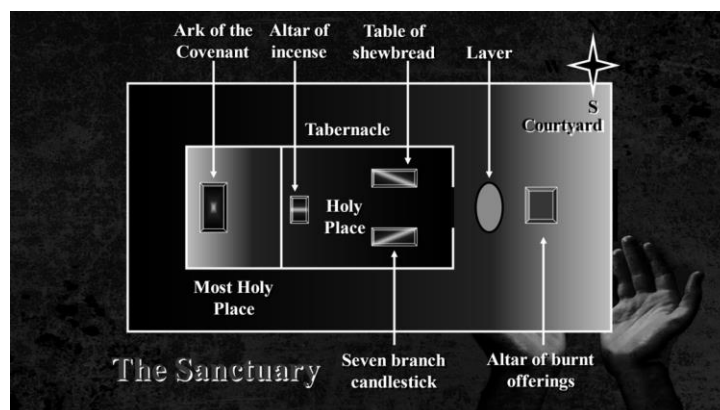
John 2:19–21 (NASB95) — **19** Jesus answered them, “*Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.*” **20** The Jews then said, “It took forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?” **21** But *He was speaking of the temple of His body*.

The Church Is Also the Temple

1 Corinthians 12:27 (NASB95) — **27** Now *you are Christ’s body*, and *individually members of it*.

1 Corinthians 3:16 (NASB95) — **16** Do you not know that *you are a temple of God* and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Jesus Is the Door



John 10:7 (NASB95) — 7 So Jesus said to them again, "Truly, truly, I say to you, *I am the door of the sheep.*

John 10:9 (NASB95) — 9 "**I am the door**; if anyone enters through Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

John 14:6 (NASB95) — 6 Jesus said to him, "**I am the way**, and the truth, and the life; *no one comes to the Father but through Me.*

Jesus Is the Bronze Altar

Matthew 23:19 (NASB95) — 19 "You blind men, which is more important, the offering, or *the altar that sanctifies* the offering?"

Luke 8:43-44 (NASB95) — 43 And a woman who had a hemorrhage for twelve years, and could not be healed by anyone, [44] came up behind Him and *touched the fringe of His cloak*, and *immediately her hemorrhage stopped.*

Jesus Is the Bronze Laver

John 13:8 (NASB95) — 8 Peter said to Him, "Never shall You wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "*If I do not wash you*, you have no part with Me."

Ephesians 5:26 (NASB95) — 26 so that *He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,*

John 1:33 (NASB95) — 33 "I did not recognize Him, but He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, *this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.*'"

Jesus Is the Shewbread & Drink Offering

John 6:35 (NASB95) — 35 Jesus said to them, "*I am the bread of life*; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and *he who believes in Me will never thirst.*

John 7:37 (NASB95) — 37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "*If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.*

Jesus Is the Golden Candle Stick

John 8:12 (NASB95) — 12 Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, "*I am the Light of the world*; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."

John 9:5 (NASB95) — 5 "While I am in the world, *I am the Light of the world.*"

Jesus Is the Incense (Golden Altar)

2 Corinthians 2:14 (NASB95) — **14** But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us *the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him* in every place.

Ephesians 5:2 (NASB95) — **2** and walk in love, just as *Christ* also loved you and *gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.*

Jesus Is the Veil

Hebrews 10:19–20 (NASB95) — **19** Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, **20** by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us *through the veil, that is, His flesh,*

Jesus Is the Mercy Seat (Judgment)

John 5:22 (NASB95) — **22** "For not even the Father judges anyone, but **He has given all judgment to the Son . . . [27]** and He gave Him authority to execute judgment, because He is the Son of Man.

Jesus Is the Sacrifice

John 1:29 (NASB95) — **29** The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "*Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*

Jesus Is the High Priest

Hebrews 6:20 (NASB95) — **20** where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become *a high priest forever* according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 9:11 (NASB95) — **11** But when Christ appeared as a *high priest of the good things to come*, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation;

Hebrews 10:21 (NASB95) — **21** and since *we have a great priest* over the house of God,

Jesus Is the Door – The Church Has the Keys

Matthew 16:19 (NASB95) — **19** "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."

Luke 11:52 (NASB95) — **52** "Woe to you lawyers! For you have taken away the key of knowledge; you yourselves did not enter, and you hindered those who were entering."

People Touch Jesus (Bronze Altar) – The Church Touches People

Acts 5:12 (NASB95) — **12** *At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were taking place* among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's portico.

Acts 5:14–16 (NASB95) — **14** And all the more believers in the Lord, multitudes of men and women, were constantly added to their number, **15** to such an extent that *they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and pallets, so that when Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on any one of them.* **16** Also the people from the cities in the vicinity of Jerusalem were coming together, *bringing people who were sick or afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all being healed.*

Jesus Was the Baptizer (Bronze Laver) – The Church Baptizes

Matthew 28:19-20 (NASB95) — **19** “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, *baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,* **20** teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, *I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*”

Jesus Is the Food and Drink – The Church Feeds the World

John 6:51 (NASB95) — **51** “*I am the living bread* that came down out of heaven; *if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever;* and the bread also which I will give for the life of the world is My flesh.”

John 7:37–38 (NASB95) — **37** Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “*If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.* **38** “He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘*From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.*’ ”

Jesus is the Light – The Church Is Light

Matthew 5:14 (NASB95) — **14** “*You are the light of the world.* A city set on a hill cannot be hidden;

Revelation 1:12–13 (NASB95) — **12** Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned *I saw seven golden lampstands;* **13** and in the middle of the lampstands I saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash.

Revelation 1:20 (NASB95) — **20** “As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and *the seven golden lampstands:* the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and *the seven lampstands are the seven churches.*

Jesus Is the Incense – The Church Is His Fragrance

2 Corinthians 2:14-15 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us *the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him* in every place. [15] For *we are a fragrance of Christ* to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing;

Revelation 8:3–4 (NASB95) — **3** Another angel came and stood at the altar, holding a golden censer; and *much incense was given to him, so that he might add it to the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar which was before the throne.* **4** And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, went up before God out of the angel’s hand.

Jesus Is the Veil – The Church Has Access

Hebrews 10:19–20 (NASB95) — **19** Therefore, brethren, since *we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, 20* by a new and living way which *He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,*

Jesus is the Judgment (Mercy Seat) – The Church Will Judge

John 5:24 (NASB95) — **24** “Truly, truly, I say to you, *he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment,* but has passed out of death into life.

1 Corinthians 6:2–3 (NASB95) — **2** Or do you not know that *the saints will judge the world?* If the world is judged by you, are you not competent to constitute the smallest law courts? **3** Do you not know that *we will judge angels?* How much more matters of this life?

Revelation 20:4 (NASB95) — **4** Then *I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. . .*

Jesus Is the Lamb (Sacrifice) – The Church Are Lambs

Luke 10:3 (NASB95) — **3** “Go; behold, *I send you out as lambs* in the midst of wolves.

Galatians 6:14 (NASB95) — **14** But may it never be that I would boast, except in *the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*

Romans 12:1 (NASB95) — **1** Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to *present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice,* acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

Jesus Is Our High Priest – The Church Are Priests

1 Peter 2:5 (NASB95) — **5** you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house *for a holy priesthood,* to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:9 (NASB95) — **9** But you are a chosen race, *a royal priesthood,* a holy nation, a people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Are You Ready to Follow the Lamb Through the Sanctuary?

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