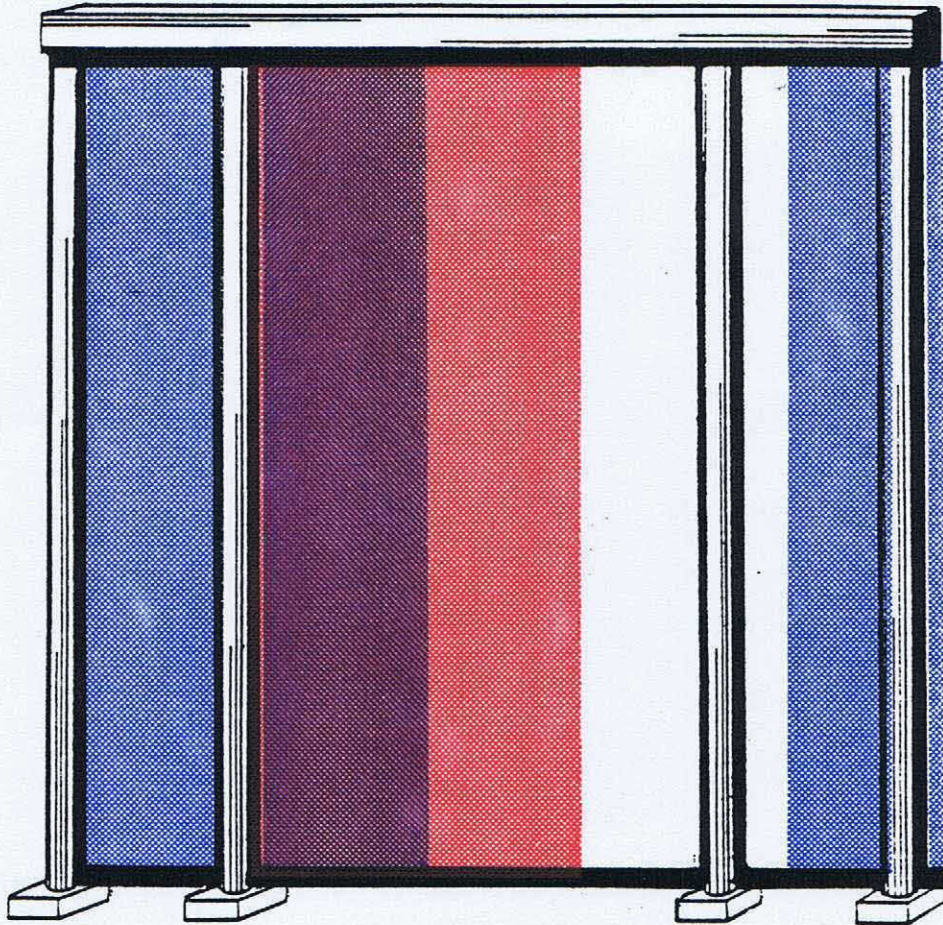


DISCOURSE 2

A HOLY SANCTUARY



THE VEIL, that is to say HIS FLESH
Hebrews 10:20

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In Discourse I, it was shown that when God took Israel out of Egypt, Israel is called "the church" in the wilderness. It was also shown that order was established around a "sanctuary" which we call the Wilderness Tabernacle. Most so-called Bible translations are more nearly what should be called paraphrases. When God's name "Jehovah" is translated "Lord", all kinds of difficulties will arise.

Exodus 25 ASV

25 And Jehovah spake unto Moses, saying, 2 "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they take for me an offering: of every man whose heart maketh him willing ye shall take my offering.

8 And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them.

Lev. 16 ASV

16 And Jehovah spake unto Moses, after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they drew near before Jehovah, and died; 2 and Jehovah said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the veil, before the mercy-seat which is upon the ark; that he die not: for "I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy-seat.

In Exodus 25 and Leviticus 16 we find that Jehovah not only commands the making of a "sanctuary" but desires to "dwell" among them. Jehovah promises to "appear" in the cloud upon the mercy-seat. At first, all this appears to be in contradiction to Acts 17:24 and Acts 7:48.

Acts 17:24 C.T.

24 The God namely-the (one) having-made the world and all the-things in it, this-(one) existing Jehovah-of-heaven and of-earth is not residing in sanctuaries made-by-hand,

This passage refers to Jehovah the Father, Exodus and Leviticus to Jehovah the Son.

In Discourse I, p.13, Solomon's temple was so defiled by idolatry that Jehovah the Son could no longer remain present. Discourse I, p.15, 2 Maccabees 2:1-8 informs us that the ark of the covenant was hidden in a cave on Mount Nebo until a future time.

When the 2nd temple, Herod's temple so-called, was built and standing in the days of Jesus, the ark was not in the "sanctuary."

Matt. 21 C.T.

12 And the Jesus went-in into the temple of-the God, and he-cast-out all the-ones offering-for-sale and buying-in-the market in the temple, and the tables of-the money-changers he-turned-down and the seats of-the-(ones) offering the doves for-sale.

13 And he-is-saying to-them, It-has-been-and-is-still-written, My home will-be-called (a) home of-prayer: but YOU yourselves-made-it (a) cave of-robbers.

Jesus left no doubt as to the conditions in the 2nd temple. See also Mark 11:17 and Luke 19:46.

(Teaching Dictionary p.177)

Jehovah the Father needed a different kind of "sanctuary."

