#### Lesson Four A: The Tabernacle Proper

**Text:** Leviticus 1:4-5 "If his offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he shall offer a male without blemish. He shall bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before the Lord. He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. Then he shall kill the bull before the Lord, and Aaron's sons the priests shall bring the blood and throw the blood against the sides of the altar that is at the entrance of the tent of meeting." Leviticus 3:2 "And he shall lay his hand on the head of his offering and kill it at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and Aaron's sons the priests shall throw the blood against the sides of the altar." Leviticus 3:7-8 "If he offers a lamb for his offering, then he shall offer it before the Lord, lay his hand on the head of his offering, and kill it in front of the tent of meeting; and Aaron's sons shall throw its blood against the sides of the altar." Leviticus 4:4 He shall bring the bull to the entrance of the tent of meeting before the Lord and lay his hand on the head of the bull and kill the bull before the Lord." Leviticus 4:15, 24; "And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands on the head of the bull before the Lord, and the bull shall be killed before the Lord. 24 and shall lay his hand on the head of the goat and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the Lord; it is a sin offering." (ESV)

#### **Introduction:**

James 1:25 "But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing." ESV

Exodus 30:20 "When they go into the tent of meeting, or when they come near the altar to minister, to burn a food offering to the Lord, they shall wash with water, so that they may not die." ESV

## I. The Measurements of the Tabernacle Proper – 45'X15'X15'

The tabernacle proper is called by several names in the books of Moses, such as <u>the</u> <u>tabernacle of the congregation (Exodus 27:21)</u>, <u>the tabernacle of the Lord</u> (Leviticus 17:4), and the tabernacle of the testimony (Numbers 1:50).

Exodus 38:27 "The hundred talents of silver were for casting the bases of the sanctuary and the bases of the veil; a hundred bases for the hundred talents, a talent a base." (ESV)

### II. The Coverings of the Tabernacle –

Exodus 26:14 "You shall also make a covering of ram skins dyed red for the tent, and a covering of badger skins above that."

- **A. Badger Skin** Isaiah 53:2 "For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him."
- **B. Ram Skin Dyed Red -** Thus, in the first of these Coverings we have foreshadowed Christ as the Head of His sheep, the Mighty One, living only for God, and manifesting His perfect devotion to the Father by being "obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."
- **C. Goats' Hair** Exodus 26:7 "You shall also make curtains of goats' hair for a tent over the tabernacle; eleven curtains shall you make."
- **D. Fine Twined Linen** Exodus 26:1 "Moreover, you shall make the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine twined linen and blue and purple and scarlet yarns; you shall make them with cherubim skillfully worked into them." ESV
  - 1. Blue -
  - 2. Purple -
  - 3. Scarlet -
  - 4. White –
- "...with cherubim skillfully worked into them..."

# What is the significance of having cherubim embroidered on the curtains?

- 1. Decoration-
- 2. Guardianship -
- 3. Symbols of holiness -
- 4. To express the model of Heaven –

Conclusion: