

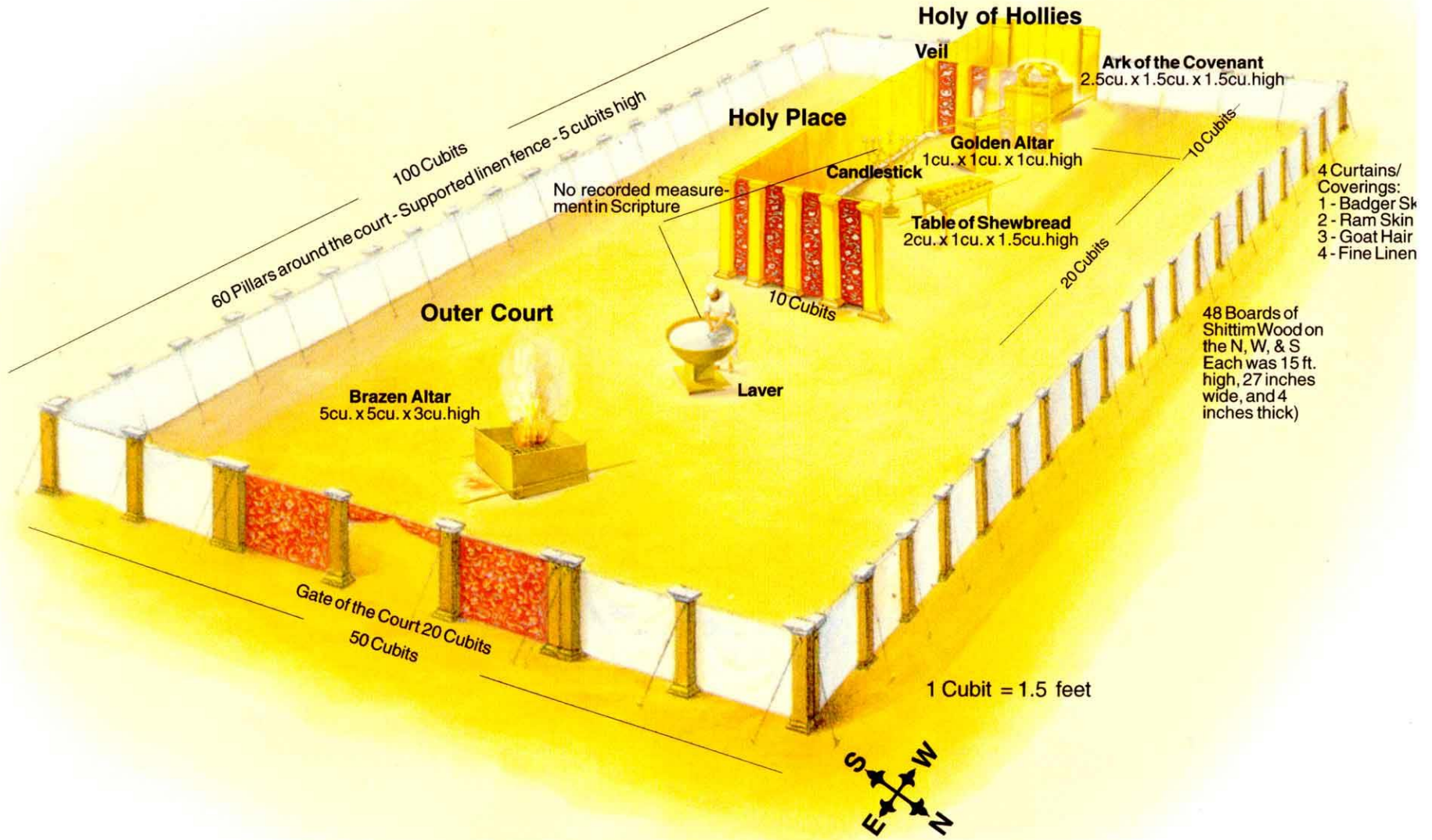


Joshua 3:3-17

Crossing the Jordan



The Structure and Dimensions of the Tabernacle







The ark of the covenant

God established a covenant agreement with Israel which is why their sin is often described along the lines of Psalm 78:5-11.

The ark was also the site of the 'mercy seat'.

See Exodus chapters 25-31 & 35-40 and Leviticus chapter 16.



2. Sanctify yourselves

A lost sinner cannot sanctify himself or herself.

1 Cor 6:11... And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

John 17:17&19... sanctified by the truth

Acts 26:18... sanctified by faith in Christ

Romans 15:16... sanctified by the Holy Spirit

1 Corinthians 1:2... sanctified in Christ Jesus

Hebrews 10:10... sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

1 Thessalonians 5:23... Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely

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However...

2 Cor 7:1... Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

2 Timothy 2:21... Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honour, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

1 John 3:1-3... And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

3. Crossing the Jordan

Their obedience led to their deliverance.

Their feet actually touched the obstacle in front of them before God moved to remove it.

Where the ark of the covenant was, was a place of firm dry ground, safe to walk on.