

More Building and Its Cost

Exodus Chapter 38

Since Chapter 25, Moses has been receiving instructions from God on Mount Sinai. Moses has spent 80 days with the Lord taking detailed notes because he has been instructed that he needs to construct all that God is showing him. But he hasn't yet had the opportunity to tell Israel what was shown him.

Chapters 35– 40 is Moses telling the Children of Israel and then Israel, in turn following those instructions.

Exd 38:1 1) The Outer Court v. 1 - 20

Then he made the altar of burnt offering of acacia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits wide, square, and three cubits high.

Exd 38:2 He made its horns on its four corners, its horns being {of one piece} with it, and he overlaid it with bronze.

Exd 38:3 He made all the utensils of the altar, the pails and the shovels and the basins, the flesh hooks and the firepans; he made all its utensils of bronze.

Exd 38:4 He made for the altar a grating of bronze network beneath, under its ledge, reaching halfway up.

Exd 38:5 He cast four rings on the four ends of the bronze grating {as} holders for the poles.

Exd 38:6 He made the poles of acacia wood and overlaid them with bronze.

Exd 38:7 He inserted the poles into the rings on the sides of the altar, with which to carry it. He made it hollow with planks.

- Made the Bronze Altar as told to Moses in Exodus 27:1-8

Exd 38:8 Moreover, he made the laver of bronze with its base of bronze, from the mirrors of the serving women who served at the doorway of the tent of meeting.

- Made the Bronze Laver as told to Moses in Exodus 30:17-21

Exd 38:9 Then he made the court: for the south side the hangings of the court were of fine twisted linen, one hundred cubits;

Exd 38:10 their twenty pillars, and their twenty sockets, {made} of bronze; the hooks of the pillars and their bands {were} of silver.

Exd 38:11 For the north side {there were} one hundred cubits; their twenty pillars and their twenty sockets {were} of bronze, the hooks of the pillars and their bands {were} of silver.

Exd 38:12 For the west side {there were} hangings of fifty cubits {with} their ten pillars and their ten sockets; the hooks of the pillars and their bands {were} of silver.

Exd 38:13 For the east side fifty cubits.

Exd 38:14 The hangings for the {one} side {of the gate were} fifteen cubits, {with} their three pillars and their three sockets,

Exd 38:15 and so for the other side. On both sides of the gate of the court {were} hangings of fifteen cubits, {with} their three pillars and their three sockets.

Exd 38:16 All the hangings of the court all around {were} of fine twisted linen.

Exd 38:17 The sockets for the pillars {were} of bronze, the hooks of the pillars and their bands, of silver; and the overlaying of their tops, of silver, and all the pillars of the court were furnished with silver bands.

Exd 38:18 The screen of the gate of the court was the work of the weaver, of blue and purple and scarlet {material} and fine twisted linen. And the length {was} twenty cubits and the height {was}

five cubits, corresponding to the hangings of the court.

Exd 38:19 Their four pillars and their four sockets {were} of bronze; their hooks {were} of silver, and the overlaying of their tops and their bands {were} of silver.

Exd 38:20 All the pegs of the tabernacle and of the court all around {were} of bronze.

- Made the Outer Court, Pillars and Hangings as told to Moses in Exodus 27:9-19

Exd 38:21 **2) Counting the Cost** v. 21 - 31

This is the number of the things for the tabernacle, the tabernacle of the testimony, as they were numbered according to the command of Moses, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

- Ithamar (son of Aaron) was given charge of keeping the inventory for all the materials that were collected and used.

Exd 38:22 Now Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the LORD had commanded Moses.

Exd 38:23 With him {was} Oholiab the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver and a skillful workman and a weaver in blue and in purple and in scarlet {material,} and fine linen.

Exd 38:24 All the gold that was used for the work, in all the work of the sanctuary, even the gold of the wave offering, was 29 talents and 730 shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary.

- A talent of gold weighed about 70 lbs. There was $70 \times 29 = 2030$ lbs of Gold

Exd 38:25 The silver of those of the congregation who were numbered was 100 talents and 1,775 shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary;

Exd 38:26 a beka a head ({that is,} half a shekel according to the shekel of the sanctuary), for each one who passed over to those who were numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for 603,550 men.

Exd 38:27 The hundred talents of silver were for casting the sockets of the sanctuary and the sockets of the veil; one hundred sockets for the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.

Exd 38:28 Of the 1,775 {shekels,} he made hooks for the pillars and overlaid their tops and made bands for them.

- There was 100 talents and 1775 shekels of silver used.

Exd 38:29 The bronze of the wave offering was 70 talents and 2,400 shekels.

Exd 38:30 With it he made the sockets to the doorway of the tent of meeting, and the bronze altar and its bronze grating, and all the utensils of the altar,

Exd 38:31 and the sockets of the court all around and the sockets of the gate of the court, and all the pegs of the tabernacle and all the pegs of the court all around.

- There was 70 talents and 2400 shekels of bronze used.

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