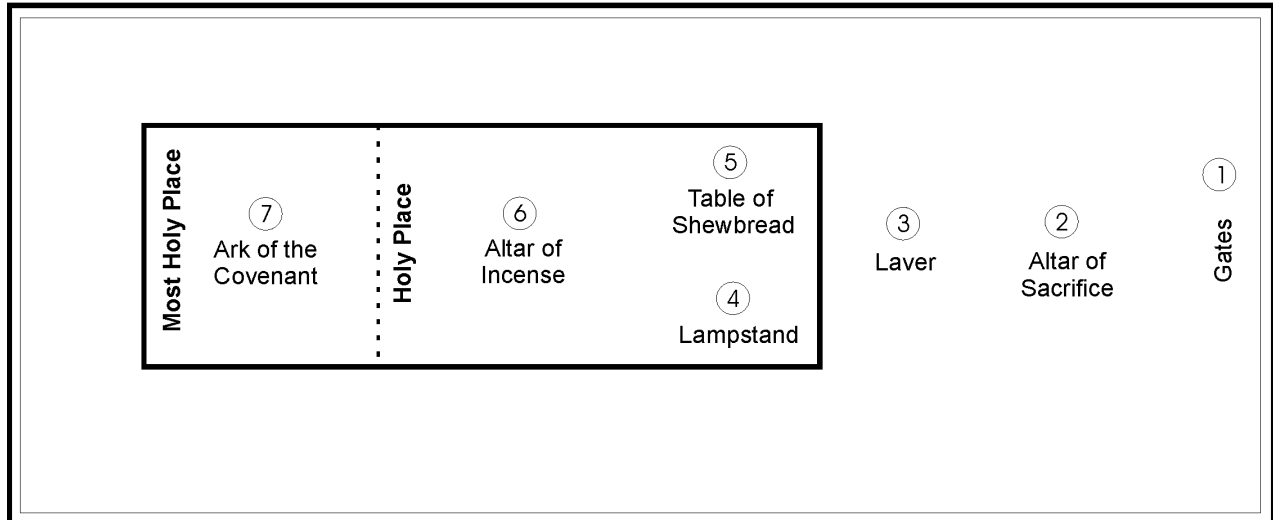


THE SANCTUARY AS A MODEL FOR PRAYER

The Israelite sanctuary described in Exodus was designed by God to portray the entire process of salvation. The sanctuary symbols also provide a possible model for your personal prayers. As you pray, imagine yourself passing through the courtyard and into the tabernacle itself.



KEY

Gates:

Enter your prayer time with praise. (Ps. 100; Luke 10:21)

Altar of Sacrifice:

Confess your sins to God and confess your faith in Jesus as Lord. (1 John 1:8, 9; Rom. 10:9; 2 Tim. 2:19)

Laver:

Accept that you are washed by the Word. (Eph. 5:25, 26; John 17:17)

Lampstand:

Ask for the baptism of the Holy Spirit (symbolized by the oil). (Luke 11:13; Gal. 5:22-25)

Table of Shewbread:

Receive strength for the day. (John 6:32, 33; Rom. 13:14; Eph. 6:10-18)

Altar of Incense:

Offer intercessory prayer for others. (Phil. 1:3, 4; Rom. 1:9, 10)

Ark of the Covenant:

Experience intimate communion with God. (Ps. 16:8, 11)
Enter into the heavenly sanctuary with Christ. (Heb. 10:19, 20)
(for more context see Matt. 27:51a; Heb. 9:8-14; Heb. 10:11-22)