

Intermediate Children's Bible Lesson #3

The Sanctuary Court-The Altar of Burnt Offering

Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God? Psalm 77:13



Memory verse:

John 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

I studied my lesson.



Bible Reading: Exodus 27:1-8 Leviticus 4:27-31

- Ex. 27:1 And thou shalt make an altar of *of* shittim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof *shall be* three cubits.
- Ex. 27:2 And thou shalt make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and thou shalt overlay it with brass.

Ex. 27:3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basons, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make of brass.

Ex. 27:4 And thou shalt make for it a grate of network of brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.

Ex. 27:5 And thou shalt put it under the compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.

Ex. 27:6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with brass.

Ex. 27:7 And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.

Ex. 27:8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: as it was shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make it.

Lev 4:27 And if any one of the common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty;

Lev 4:28 Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned.

Lev 4:29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering.

Lev 4:30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar.

Lev 4:31 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savour unto the LORD; and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.

The altar represents Jesus death on the cross for us. Just as the altar is the first piece of furniture in the sanctuary, accepting Jesus death for us is the first step to salvation.

The sacrifice represents _____. Isaiah 53:7,8; John 1:29

When one of the people did something naughty, an animal, often a lamb, was killed and sacrificed. On the cross, Jesus was sacrificed for _____.

1 Cor. 5:7, John 1:29
Romans 5:8, 9

The altar also reminds us that we are to take up our _____ and follow Jesus. Matt. 16:24, Mark 10:21

The altar of burnt offering was made of _____ covered with _____.

Shittim wood comes from the acacia tree. It grows in dry regions where little else grows. It has small thorns that must be removed. Its wood is hard-grained and very durable.

Fruitful trees/wood represent the _____.

Psalm 1:1-3; Psalm 92:12,13

_____ represents strength and endurance.
Deut. 33:25; 1 Cor. 3:12,13; Isaiah 60:17; Num. 31:22,23

Brass is more valuable than _____ but not as valuable as _____ and _____.

Who does the Bible tell us endured temptation, but didn't sin? _____ Rev. 1:13,15; Hebrews 4:15

When Jesus helps us we can do _____ through Christ who strengthens us. Phil. 4:13

There were _____ horns on the altar of burnt offering.

The number 4 shows that the gospel (the good news of Jesus dying to save us from sin) is to go to _____ Mark 13:27, Rev. 7:1;14:6; Matt.28:18-20

Horns represent power (Dan. 8:7, Hab. 3:4) and the blood applied to the horns morning and evening reminds us that our strength is in daily coming to Jesus for _____ Luke 1:68, 69

The ashes were put in a pile on the east side of the altar and later carried to a place outside the camp. Lev. 1:16; 4:12; 6:10, 11

This reminds us of the full and complete end of sin and of the _____. Psalm 73:12, 17; Mal. 4:1-3; Psalm 103:12

Draw a picture of the Altar of Burnt Offering according to the description in Exodus.

Memory verse for next week Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Study verses for next week Lev. 4:1-35 The Sanctuary courtyard-The Sacrifice