

Exodus 25:1-9 **Take an offering to build a Tabernacle**

¹ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ² "Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring Me an offering. From everyone who gives it willingly with his heart you shall take My offering.

³ And this is the offering which you shall take from them: gold, silver, and bronze; ⁴ blue, purple, and scarlet thread, fine linen, and goats' hair; ⁵ ram skins dyed red, badger skins, and acacia wood; ⁶ oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil and for the sweet incense; ⁷ onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod and in the breastplate.

⁸ And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. ⁹ According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ The material for building the Tabernacle is to come from the Children of Israel from the spoils they had brought out of Egypt when they departed.

God had provided abundantly when they departed from Egypt by giving them favor in the sight of the Egyptians and commanding them to ask for anything they wanted from their Egyptian neighbors. [Exodus 11:1-3, 12:35-36]

Whatever we have to offer to God for His work, is always from what He has provided to us by making us able to receive it in the first place.

- ✧ The offering is a freewill offering and not one of compulsion, but only from those who have a willing heart.
- ✧ Everything God required for the Tabernacle has a divine significance.

Gold is significant to **Divinity** itself.

Silver speaks of **Redemption**.

Copper or bronze symbolizes divine **judgment**.

Blue is the **heavenly** color of the sky.

Purple stands for **Royalty**

Scarlet stands for the sinful nature of man. [Isaiah 1:18]

Linen speaks of righteousness. [Revelation 19:8]

Black goats hair stands for the blackness of human sin.

Ram skins dyed red stands for the blood that God provided to cover our sins.

Badger or dolphin skins represent the Humility of Christ Who humbled Himself and took on human flesh giving up His place in glory to set the example for humanity. [Philippians 2:5-8]

Acacia wood stands for humanity

Oil for the light stands for the Holy Spirit Who is the seven Spirits of God Who stand before the Throne of God. [Revelation 1:4, 4:5]

Oil for the anointing oil stands for the Holy Spirit applied in the anointing of Christ. [Luke 4:18, Isaiah 61:1-2]

Spices speak of the person and work of the Holy Spirit.

Onyx stones carried the names of the twelve tribes of Israel, thus representing the twelve tribes of Israel before God continually reminding us that the Great God of Heaven is always mindful of His chosen people, showing God's wisdom and love.

Gem stones used in the Breast Plate of the High Priest show a different gem for each of the tribes of Israel, thus indicating that God views each of His children as unique and different from each other, and they each have a place in His divine plan and become individual members of the nation of Israel.

Just as the people of God are each unique and receive unique gifts of the Holy Spirit with unique ministries in the body of Christ, each with its own contribution toward the good of the whole. [[Romans 12:3-8](#), [1 Corinthians 12:1-31](#), [Ephesians 4:11-13](#)]

- ✧ God desires to dwell among His people and to be their God. [[Exodus 29:45-46](#), [1 Kings 6:13](#), [2 Corinthians 6:16](#), [Hebrews 8:10](#), [Revelation 7:15](#), [21:3](#)]
- ✧ There is a divine heavenly pattern for every article pertaining to the Tabernacle which God showed to Moses on the mountain. [[Hebrews 8:5](#), [9:11](#), [Revelation 15:5](#)]
- ✧ The articles for the Tabernacle were to be made precisely according to the pattern Moses was shown.
- ✧ Each item reflects some attribute of Jesus Christ as God's plan of Salvation. For a detail explanation please request our publication of the "**Tabernacle in the Wilderness**" written by Rifkah Kralman