

ARE YOU BUILDING YOUR TABERNACLE?

Are you building your Tabernacle model? Or maybe you have finished it already? A retired builder friend in Ohio got motivated to build his Tabernacle model in his well equipped wood shop. He had just made a trip to Florida to see our scale model and also that of another friend. Tabernacle Truth is wonderful, and basic to the Word of God!

His model is going to be 1" to 1 cubit. Mine is 1 cm to 1 cubit so it will fit in a car or van. We have another friend in North Carolina who has built an even smaller one into a large suitcase so he can carry it even on an airplane for teaching anywhere! The detail is great, which takes a lot of time and patience, but is that not a labor of love to God, to carefully build a model of the ONLY structure ever designed by God to be built on earth according to His command?

If you have gone to the Holy Land Experience theme park in Orlando, FL (which we highly recommend!), you will see a large model of the Tabernacle. The builders have done a fairly good job in making it, and the dramatization of Yom Kippur inside of the Tabernacle is well done. However, there are several mistakes in it that are common to almost every model and picture that I have seen, serious mistakes that cover up spiritual Truth!

In all of these, the Gate, the Screen at the entrance to the *naos* (the sanctuary), and the Veil inside are all made of blue, purple, scarlet, and white yarn woven into a fabric that is a blur of no specific color, or patterned in such a way that the colors are not distinct and the design means nothing.. Each of these colors has a specific meaning and should be displayed in separate sheets of cloth. Each color relates to a specific aspect of our Savior Yeshua and so should stand out as such, not blurred into something with no meaning.

How do we know that these three entrance curtains refer to Yeshua? Hebrews 10:19-20 says so. “Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which he has consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh.” The veil represents His flesh! All three curtains are made of the same colors, so we conclude that all three refer to Yeshua. How about this: Yeshua said, “I am the way (the Gate), the Truth (the entrance screen), and the Life (the inner veil). No one comes to the Father (on the Mercy Seat) except through Me.” John 14:6.

Now for the colors: Blue – the One from heaven, Purple – the Royal Son of God, Scarlet – the One Who shed his blood, White – as the spotless Lamb of God. Do we dare mix these colors up into a blur, to blur or hide these Truths? Each of these curtains should be made of 4 wide strips, one of each of these colored cloths so that they stand out “loud and clear,” saying, “This is Who I am! I am the Royal Son of God, who left heaven to come to earth as the Spotless Lamb of God to shed My blood to pay for your sins!” Is not this the Truth that Yeshua wants us to broadcast to the world? Why cover it up by mixing up the colors? We have dealt with one serious mistake. There will be more in subsequent issues of PT, if there is space. Be sure to renew your subscription and tell Rick that you want more Tabernacle studies!