



# DOORS

IN THE LIFE OF FAITH

# Anatomy of a Doorway



Lintel

Doorposts

Threshold

Door



Socket

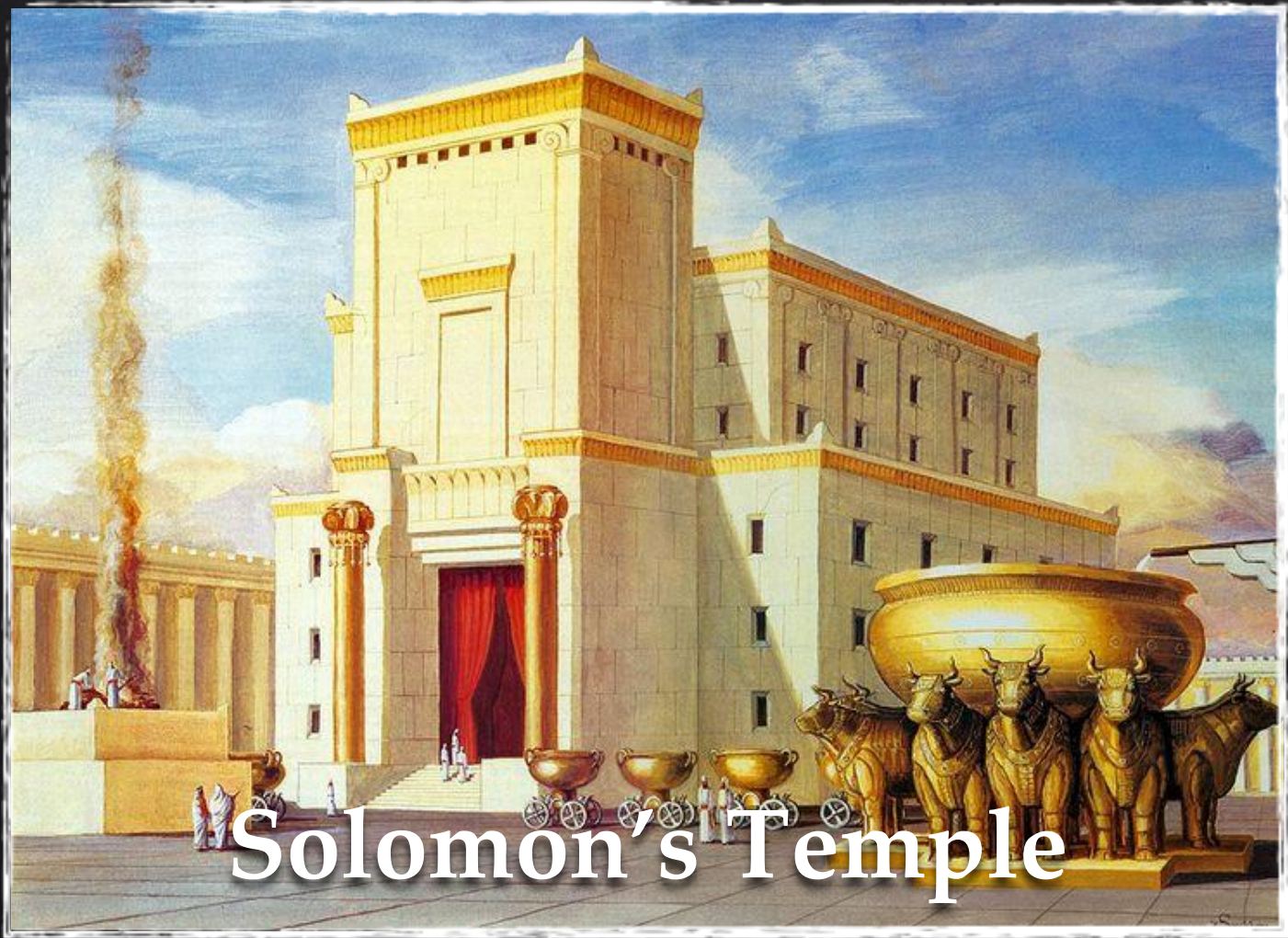


Socket





Solomon's Temple



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**Porch**

**Holy  
Place**

**Holy of  
Holies**

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*“And for the entering of the oracle he made doors of olive tree: the lintel and side posts were a fifth part of the wall.”*

*(KJV)*

*“For the entrance to the inner sanctuary he made doors out of olive wood that were one fifth of the width of the sanctuary.” (NIV)*

*“For the entrance to the inner sanctuary he made doors of olivewood; the lintel and the doorposts formed a pentagon.” (RSV)*



# Doors to the Inner Sanctuary

*“He made the doors  
of the inner  
sanctuary from  
olive wood and  
carved the  
doorframes with  
five recesses.”*  
(v. 31; CEB)



*“In our view,  
enhancing doorframes  
with recesses was  
meant to signify the  
sanctity of important  
spaces — to convey the  
message that this is  
God’s house; DO  
NOT TRESPASS.”*





**Holy of Holies**

*“It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God... Offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.”*

*(Hebrews 10:31; 12:28-29)*

*"Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" (Isaiah 6:5)*

*“Tell Aaron your brother not to come at any time into the Holy Place inside the veil, before the mercy seat that is on the ark, so that he may not die. For I will appear in the cloud over the mercy seat.”*

*(Leviticus 16:2)*



*“But in this way Aaron shall come into the Holy Place: with a bull from the herd for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering. He shall put on the holy linen coat and shall have the linen undergarment on his body, and he shall tie the linen sash around his waist, and wear the linen turban; these are the holy garments. He shall bathe his body in water and then put them on. And he shall take from the congregation of the people of Israel two male goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering...” (Leviticus 16:3-5)*

*“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” (Hebrews 4:16)*

The image depicts a grand, golden interior, likely a temple or palace. The scene is dominated by a central staircase leading up to a large, ornate doorway. The doorway is framed by a grid of 25 small, circular symbols, each containing a different icon. The walls are decorated with intricate carvings, including palm trees and winged figures. The floor is polished and reflects the warm, golden light. Several large, ornate candelabras with multiple lit candles are positioned on the floor, adding to the grandeur of the scene. The overall atmosphere is one of reverence and grandeur.

*“With confidence draw near to the throne of grace...”*

## Hebrews 4:14-15; 5:2

14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin... 2 He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness.

## Hebrews 5:5, 7

5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you' ... 7 In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

## Hebrews 5:8-10

8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. 9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, 10 being designated by God a high priest...

## Hebrews 10:19-22

19 Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, 20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

## Matthew 6:1, 5

1 “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven... 5 And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.”



## Matthew 6:6

6 “But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”