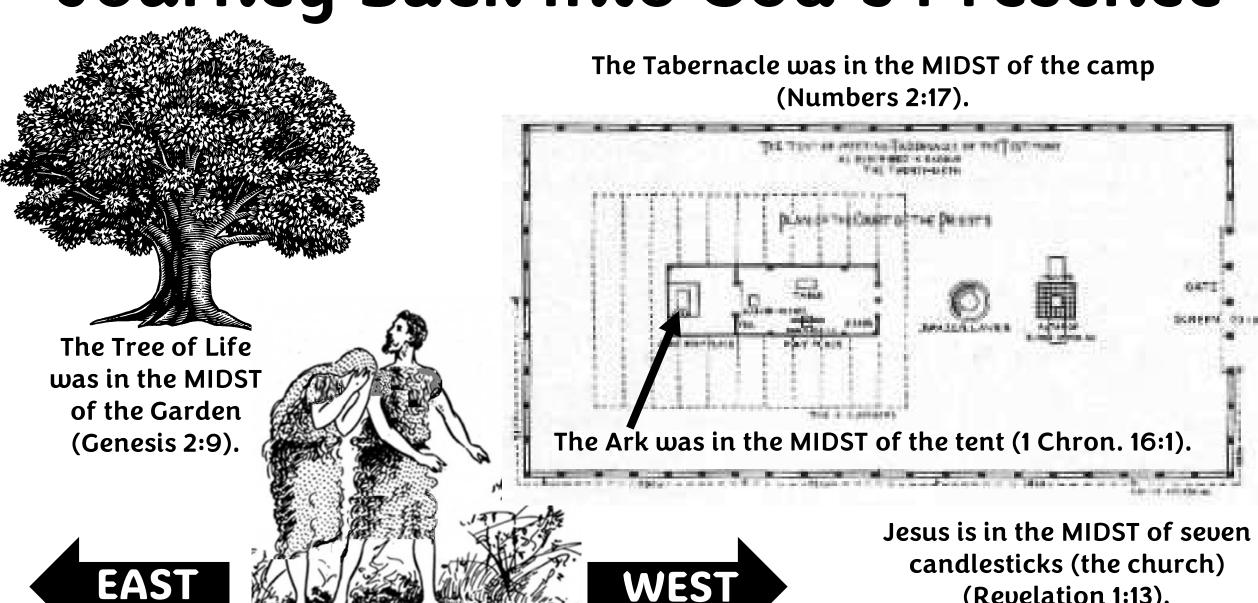


## Journey Back Into God's Presence



(Revelation 1:13).

# THE BRAZEN LAVER

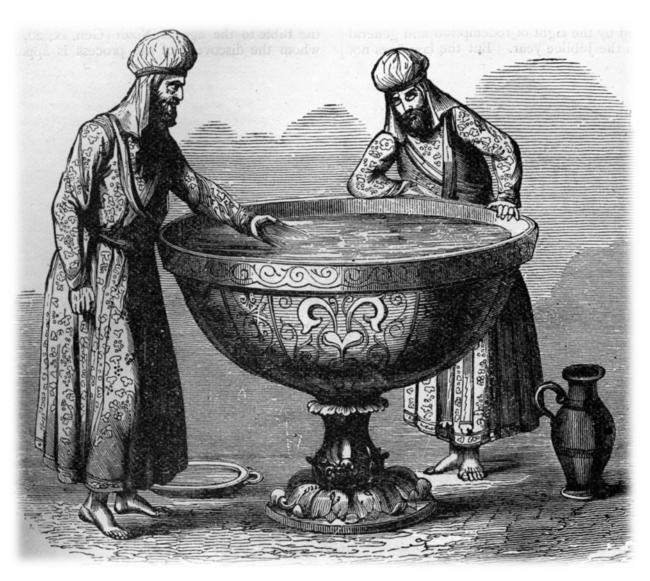


Exodus 30:18 — "Thou shalt also make a laver of brass, and his foot also of brass, to wash withal: and thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein."

LAVER = basin, bowl
PURPOSE = holds water to wash
DIMENSIONS = not given
LOCATION = between the Tabernacle
and the Brazen Altar

"And he made the laver of brass ... of the lookingglasses of the women" (Exodus 38:8).

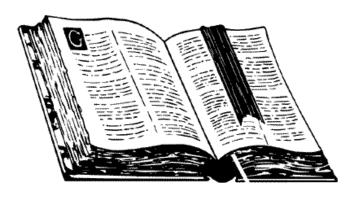
## What Does the Laver Represent?



Exodus 30:19 — For the priests to "wash their hands and their feet."

- WASH THEIR HANDS = purity in their ACTIONS
- WASH THEIR FEET = holiness in all their WALK and CONVERSATION

"His GOINGS OUT and his COMINGS IN" (Hebrew saying).



The Word is "a glass," or "a mirror" (James 1:23).



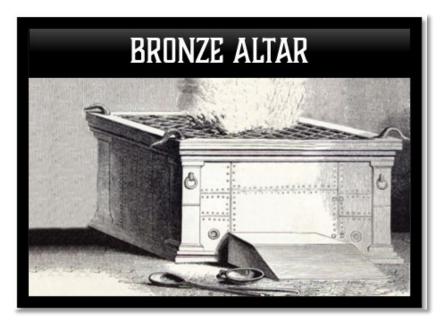
#### The Word Is a Mirror

# RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD REQUIRES

(James 1:21 AMP)

- 1. "GET RID OF ALL UNCLEANNESS"
  - Washing of the water of the Word
- 2. "RECEIVE AND WELCOME THE WORD WHICH IS IMPLANTED IN YOUR HEARTS"
  - The Holy Spirit takes up residence
- 3. "BE DOERS OF THE WORD"
  - Remove "dirt" (wrong ways)

## Salvation Requires





(1) Forgiveness of sins that are past

(2) Cleansing of what caused the sin

"Wherewithal shall a young man CLEANSE HIS WAY? by taking heed ... to thy WORD" (Psalm 119:9).

"Thy WORD have I hid in mine heart, that I might NOT SIN against thee" (Psalm 119:11).

# "That They Die Not"

Exodus 30:20 —"When they [the priests] go into the tabernacle of the congregation, they shall wash with water, that they die not."



"That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word" (Ephesians 5:26).



- "SWEPT" clean (Jesus' part)
- "GARNISHED" put in order (God's part)
- 3. "EMPTY" need the Holy Spirit living within (FILLED)

## Justified and Sanctified

"In that day there shall be a fountain opened ... FOR SIN **AND** FOR UNCLEANNESS" (Zechariah 13:1).

"One of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out BLOOD and WATER" (John 19:34).

"BLOOD" = "for sin"
"WATER" = "for uncleanness"

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to FORGIVE us our sins, and to CLEANSE us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Justification is a FINISHED work. Sanctification is a PROGRESSIVE (ongoing) work.



### "The Double Cure"

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, From thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure; Save from wrath and make me pure.

- "the WATER and the BLOOD" = "the double cure"
- "save from WRATH" = we are saved from God's wrath (sin's penalty) by Jesus' blood
- "make me PURE" = we are made holy and can live holy when God's Spirit comes into our hearts



Ezekiel 36:25 "Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your FILTHINESS ... will I CLEANSE you."

- "FILTHINESS" = uncleanness
- "I will CLEANSE YOU" HOW?

Ezekiel 36:26-27 "A NEW SPIRIT will I put within you: and I will take away the STONY HEART out of your flesh, and I will give you an HEART OF FLESH. . . . and ye shall keep MY JUDGMENTS, and do them."

- "NEW SPIRIT" = God's Spirit
- "STONY HEART" = old ways
- "HEART OF FLESH" = a tender heart that wants to obey
- "MY JUDGMENTS" = God's Word