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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 5 • Session 3

## BUILDING THE TABERNACLE

Exodus 35-40

### WHY DO WE NEED TO BE SAVED? PEOPLE ARE SINFUL AND CANNOT SAVE THEMSELVES.

God commanded Moses to build a tabernacle. It would be a place for God to dwell among His people. First, Moses invited the Israelites to give their money and their possessions so that the tabernacle could be built. The people were so generous that Moses had to tell them to stop giving!

Next, Moses requested for people with special skills to build, sculpt, weave, design, and decorate to come and help with the tabernacle and all its special furnishings. God's Spirit filled a man named Bezalel to lead the construction and design of the tabernacle. God also gave a man named Oholiab the ability to teach others how to design, weave, cut gems, and more.

Bezalel, Oholiab, and many other artists worked hard on the tabernacle. They made a special box, called the ark. The ark had a special seat called the mercy seat. The mercy seat was where the high priest would sprinkle the blood of a sacrificial animal to ask God for forgiveness of sins. They also made special clothes for Aaron and the other priests to wear. These clothes could only be worn in the tabernacle and would show that Aaron and the priests were set apart for a special work of God.

Moses saw that everything had been done just as the Lord had commanded. The glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. Wherever the people traveled, the cloud of the Lord stayed with the tabernacle.

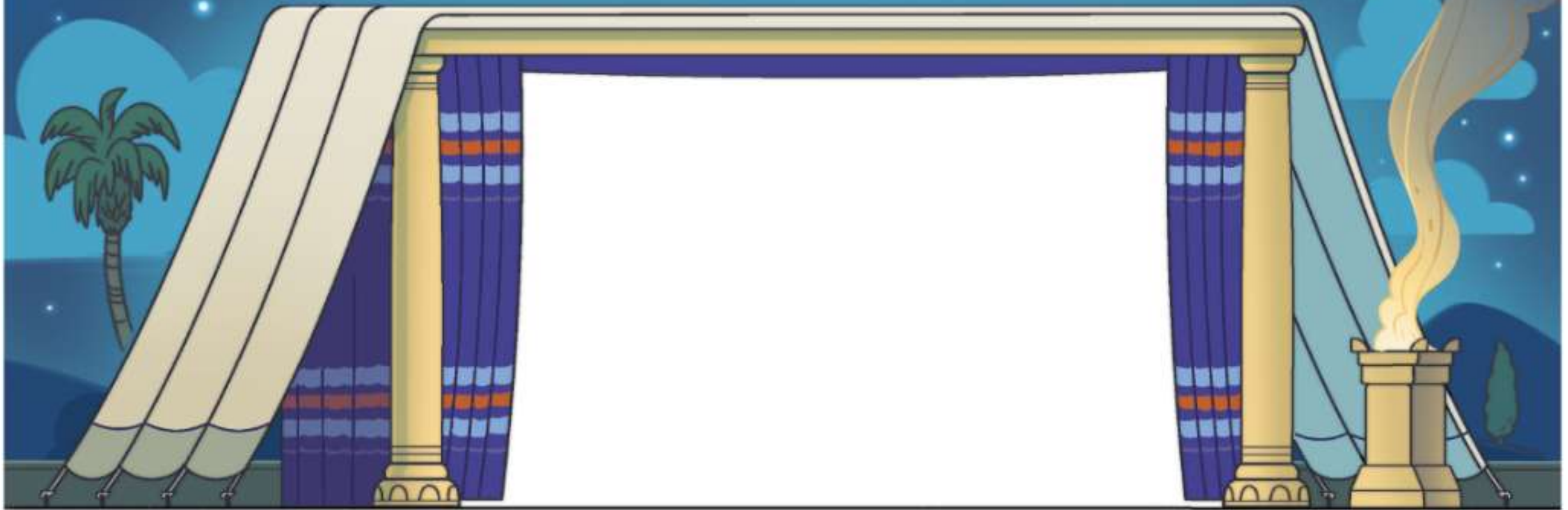
Christ Connection: God told Moses and the people to build the tabernacle so that He could dwell among them. We no longer need a tabernacle because those who trust in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection have been given the Holy Spirit so that God lives in us, not merely near us.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!





# Where Do You Worship? | Draw a picture of your church where you meet with other Christians to worship God together.



**Tabernacle Match |** Write the number next to each picture that best describes how it was used in the tabernacle. Use the Bible references if you need help.

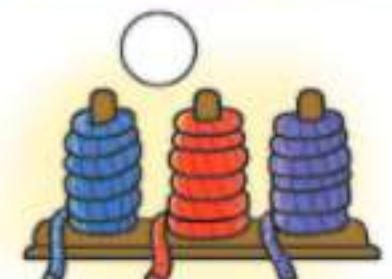
- 1. Garments for the priest to wear** (Exodus 28:2-4)
- 2. Needed to make the tabernacle's curtains** (Exodus 26:1)
- 3. Used for washing the hands and feet of the priests** (Exodus 30:17-19)
- 4. Used to make burnt offerings to the Lord** (Exodus 29:18)
- 5. Place where God would meet and speak with the priest** (Exodus 25:21-22)



Bronze Basin



Bronze Altar



Blue, Scarlet, and Purple Yarn



Ark of the Covenant and Mercy Seat



Priestly Garments