

# Hebrews

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Part 2

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Why was God so specific as to how and where He was to be worshipped?

Because, it was all meant to teach the people valuable theological lessons.

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God prescribed how He was to be worshipped, where He was to be worshipped, and even prescribed the exact furnishings of the place of worship.

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Exodus 25:31-40

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Leviticus 24:1-4

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Genesis 1:1-5

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Exodus 25:8-9

And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it.

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John 1:1-5

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John 8:12

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

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Matthew 17:2

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Revelation 21:22-27

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Access to the light and life of God are  
through the Lamb.

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Revelation 22:1-5

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The fellowship between God and man that is  
begun at salvation by the life and light of  
Jesus will culminate in no more darkness, no  
more death, no more curtains to separate  
man from God, but full access to the  
dwelling place of the King.

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Exodus 25:23-30

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Leviticus 24:5-9

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Exodus 24:1-13

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Matthew 26:26-29

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Though man could not dine with God in the holy place, due to sin. God comes out from the holy of holiness, cloaked with the curtain that was his incarnation, to dine with His people.

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Revelation 19:9

And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

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John 14:1-6

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1. In the Old Testament, God often manifest Himself as fire in the form of a theophany, for example see Exodus 15:17, Exodus 3:1-4, Exodus 19:16-20, Exodus 40:36-38.

God also filled the places of holiness that He had ordered to be built for Him. God filled the Tabernacle (Exodus 40:34-35) upon its completion as well as the temple that was constructed under Solomon's rule (1 Kings 8:10-11, 2 Chronicles 7:1-2).

With those passages in mind, what would you make of Acts 2:1-8? Can you spot some similarities and yet differences under the New Covenant? Where is the temple?

2. As Acts chapter 2 revealed, there is a significant change in what is called the temple of God under the New Covenant. What truths can be gained about this from Ephesians 2:19-22?
3. The place of holiness under the Old Covenant was meant to be guarded and kept from defilement. What about under the New Covenant? See 1 Corinthians 6:18-20? What are some practical ways that you can guard the temple of God these days?
4. Under the New Covenant, we find that the intimacy, fellowship, and presence that man desired from God could only be fulfilled by God the Son breaking down the barrier of separation by becoming incarnate, fulfilling all righteousness, and paying the price for our sin. Through Christ we are guaranteed to be spend eternity in the dwelling place of God. What truths can be gained from the following passages:
  - A. Hebrews 13:14, John 14:1-6
  - B. Luke 23:43
  - C. 1 Corinthians 5:1-8, Philippians 1:21-24
  - D. Revelation 21:1-4
5. Many believers have not seen that the Old Covenant's regulations, the tabernacle, the furnishings, priests, and sacrificial system were teaching valuable theological truths that would be most fully expressed under the New Covenant by Jesus Christ. How has the book of Hebrews helped you to see some of this more clearly?