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## Lesson 5 – The Candlestick

### Read Exodus 25:31-40

- 1) How was the Lampstand constructed?

**Exodus 25:36** ...all it shall be one \_\_\_\_\_ work of pure gold.

- 2) How Much Gold was used to make it?

**Exodus 25:39** Of a \_\_\_\_\_ of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.

A Talent was a measurement of weight roughly somewhere around 75 pounds. The beautifully intricate lampstand started out as a block or billet of gold and the Master Craftsman would pound the block with his hammer and shape it into the magnificent piece for God's Glory.



- 3) What were the details in each arm of the light?

**Exodus 25:34** And in the candlestick shall be four bowls made like unto \_\_\_\_\_, with their knops and their flowers.

- 4) **Exodus 25:35** And there shall be a \_\_\_\_\_ under two branches of the same, and a \_\_\_\_\_ under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick.

A Knop (if you're using the King James Version) is a knob.

Imagine the skill needed to produce such a beautiful and intricate item with nothing much more than a couple of hammers. This represents God's work on mankind shaping us with his masterful hand into something of great beauty, having purpose and value. It took many a hard and skillful blow to form those delicate flowers and bowls, but the candlestick was to be made after the heavenly model to teach heavenly lessons to mankind.

- 5) What was Moses told concerning the creation of the items for the Sanctuary Services?

**Exodus 25:40** And look that thou make them after their \_\_\_\_\_, which was shewed thee in the mount.



- 6) What did John hear from Jesus in the Book of Revelation about seeing the Lampstand in Heaven?

**Revelation 1:20** The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven \_\_\_\_\_: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven \_\_\_\_\_.

Read **Revelation 1:12-20** and see that Jesus is standing in the Heavenly Temple while He is speaking to John.

The number seven in the Bible denotes a perfect number. The candlestick of beaten gold with its seven bowls for the lamps was an **“example and shadow of heavenly things.” (Hebrews 8:5)** Its seven branches represented the church of God.

- 7) What does the author of Hebrews say about God's Church?

**Heb 12:23** To the general assembly and church of the \_\_\_\_\_, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

- 8) What does Ephesians 2 tell us?

**Ephesians 2:10** For we are his \_\_\_\_\_, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

The individual that forms a part of the church of the first-born, which are enrolled in heaven, will often feel the workman's hammer; for we are God's workmanship. **“beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, though some strange thing happened unto you.” (1Peter4:12)**

- 9) What does Matthew 5:14 tell us?

**Matthew 5:14** Ye are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world...

The church of Christ is the candlestick to hold up the light in the midst of moral darkness.

- 10) 2 Chronicles 16:9 tells us something interesting:

**2 Chronicles 16:9** For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is \_\_\_\_\_ toward him.

The Spirit is searching throughout the earth for those whose hearts are perfect toward God, and it will **“strongly hold”** with such ones: their light will not burn dim.

- 11) How often were the lamps allowed to go out?

**Leviticus 24:2** Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn \_\_\_\_\_.



So the Christian is ever to let the Spirit of God rule in his life and thus shed His light abroad.

12) Who was allowed to light the lamps in the Candlestick in the Holy Place?

**Exodus 30:8** And when Aaron \_\_\_\_\_ the lamps at even...

My apologies if that sounded a little confusing, the point was that it was the duty of the High priest to tend to the lights in the Candlestick

None but the high priest could perform the sacred work of lighting the lamps in the earthly sanctuary; he trimmed and lighted them each morning and evening. So, none but our High Priest, who was **“tempted in all points like as we are,” (Hebrews 4:15)** can give us the help we need. In the morning we need His Spirit to direct us during the day; and in the evening we need it to enlighten our minds as we review the work of the day, that we may detect the flaws and dropped threads in the warp of our lives. The trimming and lighting of the lamps was a beautiful type with a daily lesson for us at the present time.

Three things happened every morning and every evening in the Temple. 1) The lights in the Candlestick were tended to. 2) Incense was laid upon the altar of incense, and 3) The daily sacrifice was laid out so that every soul that wished for God's Redemption could be had freely.

The lights were Symbolic of the Light of the World through Jesus and secondly through His indwelling Spirit in His church. We are to be the Light of the World through God's power.

The Incense particularly the smoke that rose was symbolic of the prayers of God's people rising up to Heaven.

The daily sacrifice was a continual thing so as a reminder of Jesus' Sacrifice on our behalf that is available to all who will partake.

Whenever an individual will fulfil in his very soul the antitype of the typical “whole” burnt-offering, that is, wholly surrender himself to God, place himself and all he has upon the altar, to be consumed in God's service as He directs, that individual, whether he be rich or poor, learned or ignorant, will be covered with the fragrant incense of Christ's righteousness, and his name will be enrolled with the church of the first-born in heaven; and here in this sin-cursed earth, as he goes to and fro, he will be a part of the great candlestick, and from his life will shine out the bright rays of the Spirit of God;

13) What did Zechariah see in vision?

**Zechariah 4:2,3** And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a \_\_\_\_\_ all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof: And two olive \_\_\_\_\_ by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.



The olive trees supplied oil to the lamp. Olive oil symbolizes the Holy Spirit. The Spirit allows the Lamp of God's church to burn bright. Without Him, we could bear no light at all.

14) What did the angel tell Zechariah were the two trees?

**Zechariah 4:14** Then said he, these are the two \_\_\_\_\_ ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

The mission of the two anointed ones is to communicate to God's people that heavenly grace which alone can make His word a lamp to the feet and a light to the path. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." No matter the interpretation you come up with, the Holy Spirit is involved with this, for He is the one who Guides and Comforts all who will burn brightly, whether it is God's Word or human flesh, He will bring life and light and bring you to Jesus and the Father.

15) Jesus gave words of life to the woman accused of adultery, what were they?

**John 8:12** Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

When we ask Jesus to save us, to cover our sins with His life, His prayer for us to become one with him is answered by our Father in Heaven. The Lampstand symbolizes Jesus, the light of the world, and within its parts, His church, His family, shining brightly with Him.

**Can you see the Candlestick representing Jesus as the Light of the World? \_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you interested in shining brightly with Him? \_\_\_\_\_**

**Will you now ask Him to make you one with Him as Jesus' prayer went in John 17? \_\_\_\_\_**

**John 17: 11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.**

