

I. The tabernacle and priests (25-31, 35-40)

II. The house of God reflects the glory of God in creation and redemption

- A. Forming and filling (Genesis 1:1-13 vs. 1:14-31; Exodus 25-31 vs 35-40)
- B. The glorious spirit of God (Genesis 1:2; Exodus 24:15-18)
- C. Sabbath (Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 31:12-17; 35:2-3)
- D. The image of God (Genesis 1:26-27; Exodus 34:29)
- E. Microcosm of creation
- F. Fire (Exodus 19:18; 25:4-5; 26:1ff.)
- G. Multiple layers of covering (Deuteronomy 4:11; 5:22; Psalm 97:2; 18:7-12; Exodus 25:4-5; 26:7ff., 14; 36:19; 40:19; see also Psalm 105:39)
- H. God's footstool (Isaiah 66:1; Psalm 11:4; 1 Chronicles 28:2; Psalm 99:5; 132:7; Lamentations 2:1)
- I. Beauty (1 Kings 6:18, 29, 32, 35; 7:18ff.)
- J. Built by the Spirit of God (Genesis 1:2; Exodus 31:3)

III. The house of God in the New Covenant

- A. Ephesians 1-3: perceiving God's house
- B. 1 Timothy 3:15; 4:10
- C. 1 Peter 2:4-8: living stones
- D. Practicing the truth
 - i. notice God's work in your fellow Christians
 - ii. seek ways to serve the world in the name of Christ
 - iii. be unified (Ephesians 4:1-16)
 - iv. be willing to serve when called on – even serve by leading
 - v. live the kind of life in the church that you wish were lived in the world
 - vi. get rid of malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander (1 Peter 2:1)

IV. God with us

- A. How do we go from tabernacle/temple to church?
- B. How can the church be described as both “temple” and “body”? (2 Corinthians 5:2)
- C. The great promise fulfilled: “You will be my people, and I will be your God.” (Exodus 6:7; Jeremiah 7:23; 11:4; 30:22; Ezekiel 36:28)
- D. Glory among us (John 1:14; Ephesians 1:23; Hebrews 1:3)