

The Sanctuary Messages Sermon Series
Lesson 3: The Gate
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The sanctuary message is a witness and a prophecy that reveals what Jesus has done in the past, present, and future. Everything and message points to and is centered on Jesus Christ, the Messiah.

There is only one gate on the east side and entrance point into the courtyard of the sanctuary.

What is the spiritual significance on there being only one entrance into the sanctuary?

John 14:6

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Jesus is only one way to salvation. He is the gate to victory over sin.

John 10:9

9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Acts 4:12

12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Jesus is our only connection to the Father and the kingdom of God.

1 Timothy 2:5

5 For *there is* one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

What is the description of the outer gate to the sanctuary?

Exodus 38:18

18 And the hanging for the gate of the court *was* needlework, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits *was* the length, and the height in the breadth *was* five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.

Size of Gate

Height 5 cubits = 7 ½ feet (same height of the walls)

Length 20 cubits = 30 feet long

What was color of the needlework of the Gate?

Blue, red (scarlet), purple, and white

What does blue, red, purple and white represent spiritually?

1. Red = The blood of Christ cleanses us from sin

Isaiah 1:18

18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Ephesians 1:6-7

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

2. Blue = Obedience to God's standard – 10 commandments

Numbers 15:37-41

37 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:
39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:
40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.
41 I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD your God.

3. Purple = Royalty

John 19:2, 5

2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, Behold the man!

1 Timothy 6:14-15

14 That thou keep *this* commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

15 Which in his times he shall shew, *who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Red mixed with blue makes purple. When you are covered by the blood of the Lamb (red) and keep the commandments of God (blue) you become part of the royalty and kingdom of God (purple).

Revelation 17:14

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him *are* called, and chosen, and faithful.

John 1:12-13

12 But as many as received him (Jesus), to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Romans 8:14

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

1 John 3:1-2

1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

What did the gate to the entrance of the courtyard of the sanctuary hang on and supported?

Exodus 38:19

19 And their pillars *were* **four**, and their sockets *of* brass four; their hooks *of* silver, and the overlaying of their chapters and their fillets *of* silver.

There were four pillars which had a base of brass that held up the linen gate with hooks of silver on each pillar.

Four Silver Sockets: What does silver represent?

(Exodus 30:11 - 16)

Exo 30:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Exo 30:12 When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after their number, then shall they give **every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou numberest them;** that there be no plague among them, when *thou* numberest them.

Exo 30:13 This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel *is* twenty gerahs:) an half shekel *shall be* the offering of the LORD.

Exo 30:14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and above, shall give an offering unto the LORD.

Exo 30:15 The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel, when *they* give an offering unto the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

Exo 30:16 And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; **that it may be a memorial** unto the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

Silver = Ransom = Redemption through Christ...

Chapters capped the top of each post. Fillets are the rails that connect each pillar. Both were overlaid with silver.

What is the spiritual significance of the four pillars?

The four pillars appears to point to the witness and testimony of Jesus Christ in the four gospels in the New Testament. The four gospels testifies of the salvation and the everlasting covenant through Christ.

What do the silver Hooks represent?

Isa 41:10 Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Hooks throughout the sanctuary = God's upholding hand!