

P'kude Exodus 38:21-40:38

(Exo 38:21 CJB) These are the accounts of the tabernacle, the tabernacle of the testimony, recorded, as Moshe ordered, by the L'vi'im under the direction of Itamar the son of Aharon, the cohen.

(Exo 38:22 CJB) B'tzal'el the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Y'hudah, made everything that Adonai ordered Moshe to make.

(Exo 38:23 CJB) Assisting him was Oholi'av the son of Achisamakh, of the tribe of Dan, who was an engraver, a designer and a weaver in colors — in blue, purple and scarlet yarn and in fine linen.

(Exo 38:24 CJB) All the gold used for the work in everything needed for the sanctuary, the gold of the offering, weighed 29 talents 730 shekels [*1,930 pounds*], using the sanctuary shekel.

(Exo 38:25 CJB) The silver given by the community weighed 100 talents 1,775 shekels [*6,650 pounds*], using the sanctuary shekel.

(Exo 38:26 CJB) This was a beka per person, that is, half a shekel [*one-fifth of an ounce*], using the sanctuary shekel, for everyone twenty years old or older counted in the census, 603,550 men.

(Exo 38:27 CJB) The hundred talents of silver were used to cast the sockets for the sanctuary and the sockets for the curtain — one hundred sockets made from the hundred talents, one talent [*sixty-six pounds*] per socket.

(Exo 38:28 CJB) The 1,775 shekels [*fifty pounds*] he used to make hooks for the posts, to overlay their capitals and to make fasteners for them.

(Exo 38:29 CJB) The bronze in the offering came to 4,680 pounds.

(Exo 38:30 CJB) He used it to make the sockets for the entrance to the tent of meeting, the bronze altar, its bronze grate, all the utensils for the altar,

(Exo 38:31 CJB) the sockets for the courtyard around it, the sockets for the gateway to the courtyard, all the tent pegs for the tabernacle and all the tent pegs for the courtyard around it.

(Exo 39:1 CJB) From the blue, purple and scarlet yarn they made the garments for officiating, for serving in the Holy Place; and they made the holy garments for Aharon, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:2 CJB) He made the ritual vest of gold, of blue, purple and scarlet yarn, and of finely woven linen.

(Exo 39:3 CJB) They hammered the gold into thin plates and cut them into threads in order to work it into the blue, purple and scarlet yarn and the fine linen crafted by the skilled artisan.

(Exo 39:4 CJB) They made shoulder-pieces for it, joined together; they were joined together at the two ends.

(Exo 39:5 CJB) The decorated belt on the vest, used to fasten it, was of the same workmanship and materials — gold; blue, purple and scarlet yarn; and finely twined linen — as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:6 CJB) They worked the onyx stones, mounted in gold settings, engraving them with the names of the sons of Isra'el as they would be engraved on a seal.

(Exo 39:7 CJB) Then he put them on the shoulder-pieces of the vest to be stones calling to mind the sons of Isra'el, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:8 CJB) He made the breastplate; it was crafted by a skilled artisan and made like the work of the ritual vest — of gold; blue, purple and scarlet yarn; and finely woven linen.

(Exo 39:9 CJB) When folded double, the breastplate was square — doubled, it was a hand-span by a hand-span.

(Exo 39:10 CJB) They put on it four rows of stones: the first row was a carnelian, a topaz and an emerald;

(Exo 39:11 CJB) the second row a green feldspar, a sapphire and a diamond;

(Exo 39:12 CJB) the third row an orange zircon, an agate and an amethyst;

(Exo 39:13 CJB) and the fourth row a beryl, an onyx and a jasper. They were mounted in settings of gold.

(Exo 39:14 CJB) The stones corresponded to the names of the twelve sons of Isra'el; they were engraved with their names as a seal would be engraved, each name representing one of the twelve tribes.

(Exo 39:15 CJB) On the breastplate they made two pure gold chains, twisted like cords.

(Exo 39:16 CJB) Also for the breastplate they made two settings of gold and two gold rings, and they put the two rings at the two ends of the breastplate.

(Exo 39:17 CJB) They put the two twisted gold chains in the two rings at the ends of the breastplate

(Exo 39:18 CJB) and attached the other two ends of the twisted chains to the front of the shoulder-pieces of the ritual vest.

(Exo 39:19 CJB) They also made two gold rings and put them on the two ends of the breastplate, at its edge, on the side facing in toward the vest.

(Exo 39:20 CJB) Also they made two gold rings and attached them low on the front part of the vest's shoulder-pieces, near the join, above the vest's decorated belt.

(Exo 39:21 CJB) Then they bound the breastplate by its rings to the rings of the vest with a blue cord, so that it could be on the vest's decorated belt, and so that the breastplate would not swing loose from the vest — as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:22 CJB) He made the robe for the ritual vest; it was woven entirely of blue,

(Exo 39:23 CJB) with its opening in the middle, like that of a coat of mail, and with a border around the opening, so that it wouldn't tear.

(Exo 39:24 CJB) On the bottom hem they made pomegranates of blue, purple and scarlet, and woven linen;

(Exo 39:25 CJB) and they made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates all the way around the hem of the robe — between the pomegranates,

(Exo 39:26 CJB) that is, bell, pomegranate, bell, pomegranate, all the way around the hem of the robe for service — as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:27 CJB) They made the tunics of finely woven linen for Aharon and his sons,

(Exo 39:28 CJB) the turban of fine linen, the splendid headgear of fine linen, the linen shorts,

(Exo 39:29 CJB) and the sash of finely woven linen and blue, purple and scarlet yarn, the work of a weaver in colors — as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:30 CJB) They made the ornament for the holy turban of pure gold; wrote on it the words, "Set apart for Adonai," like the engraving on a seal;

(Exo 39:31 CJB) and tied a blue cord on it to fasten it to the front of the turban — as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:32 CJB) Thus all the work for the tabernacle, the tent of meeting, was finished, with the people of Isra'el doing everything exactly as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:33 CJB) Then they brought the tabernacle to Moshe — the tent and all its furnishings, clasps, planks, crossbars, posts and sockets;

(Exo 39:34 CJB) the covering of tanned ram skins, the covering of fine leather and the curtain for the screen;

(Exo 39:35 CJB) the ark for the testimony, its poles and the ark-cover;

(Exo 39:36 CJB) the table, all its utensils and the showbread;

(Exo 39:37 CJB) the pure menorah, its lamps and their arrangement for display, its accessories and the oil for the light;

(Exo 39:38 CJB) the gold altar; the anointing oil; the fragrant incense; the screen for the entrance to the tent;

(Exo 39:39 CJB) the bronze altar with its bronze grate, poles and all its utensils; the basin with its base;

(Exo 39:40 CJB) the tapestries for the courtyard, with their posts and sockets; the screen for the entrance to the courtyard, with its ropes and tent pegs; all the utensils for the service in the tabernacle, the tent of meeting;

(Exo 39:41 CJB) the garments for officiating, for serving in the Holy Place; the holy garments for Aharon the cohen; and the garments for his sons to serve in the office of cohen.

(Exo 39:42 CJB) The people of Isra'el did all the work just as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 39:43 CJB) Moshe saw all the work, and — there it was! — they had done it! Exactly as Adonai had ordered, they had done it. And Moshe blessed them.

(Exo 40:1 CJB) Adonai said to Moshe,

(Exo 40:2 CJB) "On the first day of the first month, you are to set up the tabernacle, the tent of meeting.

(Exo 40:3 CJB) Put in it the ark for the testimony, and conceal the ark with the curtain.

(Exo 40:4 CJB) Bring in the table, and arrange its display. Bring in the menorah, and light its lamps.

(Exo 40:5 CJB) Set the gold altar for incense in front of the ark for the testimony, and set up the screen at the entrance to the tabernacle.

(Exo 40:6 CJB) Place the altar for burnt offerings in front of the entrance to the tabernacle, the tent of meeting.

(Exo 40:7 CJB) Set the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it.

(Exo 40:8 CJB) Set up the courtyard all the way around, and hang up the screen for the entrance to the courtyard.

(Exo 40:9 CJB) "Take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle and everything in it — consecrate it with all its furnishings; then it will be holy.

(Exo 40:10 CJB) Anoint the altar for burnt offerings with all its utensils — consecrate the altar; then the altar will be especially holy.

(Exo 40:11 CJB) Anoint the basin and its base, and consecrate it.

(Exo 40:12 CJB) "Then bring Aharon and his sons to the entrance of the tent of meeting and wash them with water.

(Exo 40:13 CJB) Put the holy garments on Aharon, anoint him, and consecrate him, so that he can serve me in the office of cohen.

(Exo 40:14 CJB) Bring his sons, put tunics on them,

(Exo 40:15 CJB) and anoint them as you anointed their father, so that they can serve me in the office of cohen. Their anointing will signify that the office of cohen is theirs through all their generations."

(Exo 40:16 CJB) Moshe did this — he acted in accordance with everything Adonai had ordered him to do.

(Exo 40:17 CJB) On the first day of the first month of the second year, the tabernacle was set up.

(Exo 40:18 CJB) Moshe erected the tabernacle, put its sockets in place, put up its planks, put in its crossbars and set up its posts.

(Exo 40:19 CJB) He spread the tent over the tabernacle and put the covering of the tent above it, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:20 CJB) He took and put the testimony inside the ark, put the poles on the ark, and set the ark-cover above, on the ark.

(Exo 40:21 CJB) Then he brought the ark into the tabernacle, set up the curtain as a screen and concealed the ark for the testimony, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:22 CJB) He put the table in the tent of meeting on the side of the tabernacle facing north, outside the curtain.

(Exo 40:23 CJB) He arranged a row of bread on it before Adonai, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:24 CJB) He put the menorah in the tent of meeting across from the table, on the side of the tabernacle facing south.

(Exo 40:25 CJB) Then he lit the lamps before Adonai, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:26 CJB) He set the gold altar in the tent of meeting in front of the curtain

(Exo 40:27 CJB) and burned on it incense made from aromatic spices, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:28 CJB) He set up the screen at the entrance to the tabernacle.

(Exo 40:29 CJB) The altar for burnt offerings he placed at the entrance to the tabernacle, the tent of meeting, and offered on it the burnt offering and the grain offering, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:30 CJB) He set the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar and put water in it for washing,

(Exo 40:31 CJB) so that Moshe and Aharon and his sons could wash their hands and feet there

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(Exo 40:32 CJB) so that they could wash when entering the tent of meeting and when approaching the altar, as Adonai had ordered Moshe.

(Exo 40:33 CJB) Finally, he erected the courtyard around the tabernacle and the altar and set up the screen for the entrance to the courtyard.

(Exo 40:34 CJB) Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of Adonai filled the tabernacle.

(Exo 40:35 CJB) Moshe was unable to enter the tent of meeting, because the cloud remained on it, and the glory of Adonai filled the tabernacle.

(Exo 40:36 CJB) Whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Isra'el continued with all their travels.

(Exo 40:37 CJB) But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not travel onward until the day when it was taken up.

(Exo 40:38 CJB) For the cloud of Adonai was above the tabernacle during the day, and fire was in *[the cloud]* at night, so that all the house of Isra'el could see it throughout all their travels.

Haftarah P'kudi: M'lakhim Alef (1 Kings) 7:51-8:21 (A); 7:40-50

1 Kings 7:51-8:21 (A)

(1Ki 7:51 CJB) Thus all the work that King Shlomo did in the house of Adonai was finished. After this, Shlomo brought in the gifts which David his father had dedicated — the silver, the gold and the utensils — and put them in the treasuries of the house of Adonai.

(1Ki 8:1 CJB) Then Shlomo assembled all the leaders of Isra'el, all the heads of the tribes and the chiefs of the paternal clans of the people of Isra'el, to King Shlomo in Yerushalayim, to bring the ark for the covenant of Adonai out of the City of David, also known as Tziyon.

(1Ki 8:2 CJB) All the men of Isra'el assembled before King Shlomo at the festival in the month of Etanim, the seventh month.

(1Ki 8:3 CJB) All the leaders of Isra'el came. The cohanim took the ark

(1Ki 8:4 CJB) and brought up the ark of Adonai, the tent of meeting and all the holy utensils that were in the tent; these are what the cohanim and L'vi'im brought up.

(1Ki 8:5 CJB) King Shlomo and the whole community of Isra'el assembled in his presence were with him in front of the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen in numbers beyond counting or recording.

(1Ki 8:6 CJB) The cohanim brought the ark for the covenant of Adonai in to its place inside the sanctuary of the house, to the Especially Holy Place, under the wings of the k'ruvim.

(1Ki 8:7 CJB) For the k'ruvim spread out their wings over the place for the ark, covering the ark and its poles from above.

(1Ki 8:8 CJB) The poles were so long that their ends could be seen from the Holy Place in front of the sanctuary, but they could not be seen from outside; they are there to this day.

(1Ki 8:9 CJB) There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone which Moshe put there at Horev, when Adonai made the covenant with the people of Isra'el at the time of their leaving the land of Egypt.

(1Ki 8:10 CJB) When the cohanim came out of the Holy Place, the cloud filled the house of Adonai,

(1Ki 8:11 CJB) so that, because of the cloud, the cohanim could not stand up to perform their service; for the glory of Adonai filled the house of Adonai.

(1Ki 8:12 CJB) Shlomo said, "Adonai said he would live in thick darkness.

(1Ki 8:13 CJB) But I have built you a magnificent house, a place where you can live forever."

(1Ki 8:14 CJB) Then the king turned around and blessed the whole community of Isra'el. The whole community of Isra'el stood

(1Ki 8:15 CJB) as he said: "Blessed be Adonai, the God of Isra'el, who spoke to my father David with his mouth and fulfilled his promise with his hand. He said,

(1Ki 8:16 CJB) 'Since the day I brought my people Isra'el out of Egypt, I chose no city from any of the tribes of Isra'el in which to build a house, so that my name might be there; but I did choose David to be over my people Isra'el.'

(1Ki 8:17 CJB) Now it was in the heart of David my father to build a house for the name of Adonai the God of Isra'el;

(1Ki 8:18 CJB) but Adonai said to David my father, 'Although it was in your heart to build a house for my name, and you did well that it was in your heart,

(1Ki 8:19 CJB) nevertheless you will not build the house. Rather, you will father a son, and it will be he who will build the house for my name.'

(1Ki 8:20 CJB) Now Adonai has fulfilled this spoken word of his; for I have succeeded my father and sit on the throne of Isra'el, as Adonai promised; and I have built the house for the name of Adonai the God of Isra'el.

(1Ki 8:21 CJB) And there I have made a place for the ark containing the covenant of Adonai, which he made with our ancestors when he brought them out of the land of Egypt."

1 Kings 7:40-50 (S)

(1Ki 7:40 CJB) Hiram made the ash pots, shovels and sprinkling basins. With that, Hiram completed all the work he had done for King Shlomo in the house of Adonai —

(1Ki 7:41 CJB) the two columns, the two moldings of the capitals on top of the columns, the two nettings covering the two moldings of the capitals atop the columns,

(1Ki 7:42 CJB) the 400 pomegranates for the two nettings, two rows of pomegranates for each netting, to cover the two moldings of the capitals atop the columns,

(1Ki 7:43 CJB) the ten trolleys, the ten basins on the trolleys,

(1Ki 7:44 CJB) the one Sea, the twelve oxen under the Sea,

(1Ki 7:45 CJB) the ash pots, the shovels and the sprinkling basins. All these articles that Hiram made for King Shlomo in the house of Adonai were of burnished bronze.

(1Ki 7:46 CJB) The king cast them in the plain of the Yarden, in the clay ground between Sukkot and Tzartan.

(1Ki 7:47 CJB) Shlomo did not weigh any of these objects, because there were so many of them; thus the total weight of the bronze could not be determined.

(1Ki 7:48 CJB) Shlomo made all the objects that were inside the house of Adonai: the gold altar; the table of gold on which the showbread was displayed;

(1Ki 7:49 CJB) the menorahs — five on the right and five on the left in front of the sanctuary — of pure gold; the flowers, lamps and tongs of gold;

(1Ki 7:50 CJB) the cups, snuffers, basins, incense pans and fire pans of pure gold; and the hinges of gold, both those for the doors of the inner house, the Especially Holy Place, and those for the doors of the house, that is, of the temple.

B'rit Hadashah suggested reading for Parashah P'kudei: Revelation 15:5-8

Rev 15:5-8

(Rev 15:5 CJB) After this I looked, and the sanctuary (that is, the Tent of Witness in heaven) was opened,

(Rev 15:6 CJB) and out of the sanctuary came the seven angels with the seven plagues. They were dressed in clean bright linen and had gold belts around their chests.

(Rev 15:7 CJB) One of the four living beings gave to the seven angels seven gold bowls filled with the fury of God, who lives forever and ever.

(Rev 15:8 CJB) Then the sanctuary was filled with smoke from God's Sh'khinah, that is, from his power; and no one could enter the sanctuary until the seven plagues of the seven angels had accomplished their purpose.