**Moses and the Tabernacle - Living a Consecrated Life**

**Text - Exodus 25:1-9**

Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 2 “Tell the sons of Israel to raise a contribution for Me; from every man whose heart moves him you shall raise My contribution. 3 This is the contribution which you are to raise from them: gold, silver and bronze,4blue, purple and scarlet material, fine linen, goat hair, 5 rams’ skins dyed red, porpoise skins, acacia wood, 6 oil for lighting, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, 7 onyx stones and setting stones for the ephod and for the breastpiece. 8 Let them construct a sanctuary for Me, that I may dwell among them. 9According to all that I am going to show you, as the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furniture, just so you shall construct it.

**Overview**

Having ordered the daily conduct of His people in Exodus 20--24, God now orders the worship of His people. He directed them to build a tabernacle-a dwelling place and a constant reminder of God's presence. God gave exact instructions for how the construction was to take place. Moreover, God set up a priesthood for the administration and worship of the tabernacle. He also detailed the priestly responsibilities. In this portion of Scripture, we learn that God not only desires and deserves the worship of His people, He also directs how that worship should take place.

**Lesson Goals**

At the conclusion of this lesson, students should:

1. Understand the importance of doing God's work in God's way.

2. Realize that a call to service is a call to consecration.

3. Decide to answer God's call to service.

**Teaching Outline**

**I. The Detailed Directions**

* A. God told Moses what to do.
* B. God told Moses how to do it.

**II. The Delegated Duties**

* A. The priests were appointed.
* B. Guidelines were given for their apparel.

**III. The Dedicated Dwelling**

* A. The priests were consecrated.
* B. The people were consecrated.

**2 Samuel 7:1-3 -** Now it came about, when the king lived in his house, and the Lord had given him rest on every side from all his enemies, **2**that the king said to ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+SAMUEL+7%3A1-3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-8183B))Nathan the prophet, “See now, I live in ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+SAMUEL+7%3A1-3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-8183C))a house of cedar, but the ark of God ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+SAMUEL+7%3A1-3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-8183D))remains within the tent.” **3**Nathan said to the king, “([E](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+SAMUEL+7%3A1-3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-8184E))Go, do all that is in your mind, for the Lord is with you.”

**Haggai 1:3-5 - 3**Then the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying, **4**“Is it time for you yourselves to live in your paneled houses while this house *remains* ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=HAGGAI+1%3A3-5&version=NASB#cen-NASB-22845A))desolate?” **5**Now then, the Lord of armies says this: “[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=HAGGAI+1%3A3-5&version=NASB#fen-NASB-22846a)]Consider your ways!

**Luke 16:10--12 - 10**“([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=LUKE+16%3A10--12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-25624A))The one who is faithful in a very little thing is also faithful in much; and the one who is unrighteous in a very little thing is also unrighteous in much. **11**Therefore if you have not [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=LUKE+16%3A10--12&version=NASB#fen-NASB-25625a)]been faithful in the *use of* unrighteous [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=LUKE+16%3A10--12&version=NASB#fen-NASB-25625b)]([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=LUKE+16%3A10--12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-25625B))wealth, who will entrust the true *wealth* to you? **12**And if you have not [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=LUKE+16%3A10--12&version=NASB#fen-NASB-25626c)]been faithful in *the use of* that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own?

**1 Peter 2:5, 9 - 5**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A5%2C+9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30392A))you also, as living stones, [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A5%2C+9&version=NASB#fen-NASB-30392a)]are being built up as a ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A5%2C+9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30392B))spiritual house for a holy ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A5%2C+9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30392C))priesthood, to ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A5%2C+9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30392D))offer spiritual sacrifices that are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

**9**But you are ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30396A))a chosen people, a royal ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30396B))priesthood, a ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30396C))holy nation, ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30396D))a people for *God’s* own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you ([E](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+2%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30396E))out of darkness into His marvelous light;

**John 14:6 -** Jesus \*said to him, “I am ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+14%3A6&version=NASB#cen-NASB-26667A))the way, and ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+14%3A6&version=NASB#cen-NASB-26667B))the truth, and ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+14%3A6&version=NASB#cen-NASB-26667C))the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

**Acts 9:10-16 - 10**Now there was a disciple in ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27218A))Damascus named ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27218B))Ananias; and the Lord said to him in ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27218C))a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” **11**And the Lord *said* to him, “Get up and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for a man from ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27219D))Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying, **12**and he has seen [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-27220a)]in a vision a man named Ananias come in and ([E](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27220E))lay his hands on him, so that he might regain his sight.” **13**But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many people about this man, ([F](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27221F))how much harm he did to ([G](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27221G))Your [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-27221b)]saints in Jerusalem; **14**and here he ([H](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27222H))has authority from the chief priests to [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-27222c)]arrest all who ([I](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27222I))call on Your name.” **15**But the Lord said to him, “Go, for ([J](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27223J))he is a chosen [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-27223d)]instrument of Mine, to bear My name before ([K](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27223K))the Gentiles and ([L](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27223L))kings and the sons of Israel; **16**for ([M](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ACTS+9%3A10-16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27224M))I will show him how much he must suffer in behalf of My name.”

**1 Corinthians 10:31 - 31**Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+10%3A31&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28586A))whatever you do, do all things for the glory of God.

**Mark 13:1-2 -**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=MARK+13%3A1-2&version=NASB" \l "cen-NASB-24713A))As He was going out of the temple, one of His disciples \*said to Him, “Teacher, look! [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=MARK+13%3A1-2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-24713a)]What wonderful stones and [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=MARK+13%3A1-2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-24713b)]what wonderful buildings!” **2**And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=MARK+13%3A1-2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-24714B))Not one stone will be left upon another, which will not be torn down.”

**1 CorinthianS 6:19--20 -** Or ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28474A))do you not know that ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28474B))your body is a [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28474a)]temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28474b)]God, and *that* ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28474C))you are not your own? **20**For ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28475D))you have been bought for a price: therefore glorify God in ([E](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+CORINTHIANS+6%3A19--20&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28475E))your body.

**Romans 12:1--2 -** Therefore ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28235A))I urge you, brothers *and sisters*, by the mercies of God, to ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28235B))present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28235a)]acceptable to God, *which is* your [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28235b)]spiritual service of worship. **2**And do not ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28236C))be conformed to ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28236D))this [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28236c)]world, but be transformed by the ([E](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28236E))renewing of your mind, so that you may [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28236d)]([F](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28236F))prove what the will of God is, that which is good and [[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=ROMANS+12%3A1--2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-28236e)]acceptable and perfect.

**1 Peter 1:18--19 -**knowing that you were not [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+1%3A18--19&version=NASB#fen-NASB-30380a)]([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+1%3A18--19&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30380A))redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+1%3A18--19&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30380B))futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, **19**but with precious ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+1%3A18--19&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30381C))blood, as of a ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+PETER+1%3A18--19&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30381D))lamb unblemished and spotless, *the blood* of Christ.

**Quotes**

"Sacrifice in the Bible means that we give to God the best we have; it is the finest form of worship. Sacrifice is not giving up things, but giving to God with joy the best we have Oswald Chambers

**Extra Reading**

 Judges 611-14

1 Samuel 3

1 Samuel 9

1 Samuel 16

**Memory Verse**

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(1 Corinthians 10:31)

**Study Questions**

1. What were some of the materials God asked His people to give for the building of the tabernacle?

2. What special group did God choose for the administration of the tabernacle?

3. Whom did God choose to be the priests in the tabernacle?

4. What is the meaning of consecration?

5. What does the parable of the talents mean to you personally?

6. Describe an incident in your life when something that seemed small made a big difference.

7. Why should we be consecrated to God?

8. For what purpose do you believe God has chosen you?