

Ark of the Covenant - Study 2

Student Outline

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I. THE MERCY SEAT

A. Exodus 25:17-22



B. The Crown and the Cherubim

1. The crown around the top of the Ark was to keep the Mercy Seat in place.
 - a. Once in the Ark, the believer is _____ God's _____.
 - b. Outside of the Ark (_____), the is _____ mercy.
 - (1) Romans 3:24, 25 — "...and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.²⁵ God presented him as a sacrifice of _____, through faith in his blood."
 - (a) ἱλαστήριον, (*hisasterion*), "propitiation" (KJV), lit. "the one who would turn aside God's wrath."
 - (b) *hilasterion* is in LXX of Exodus 25:17 for the _____.
 - c. Theological truth: Christ's atonement is the true Mercy Seat, which _____ the _____ Law.
2. The two cherubim
 - a. Perhaps two as a safeguard against _____.
 - (1) Comp. Ezekiel 28:14, 17

C. The Throne of Grace

1. The _____ of the Old Testament becomes the _____ of the New Testament.
 - a. Hebrews 4:16 — “Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”
 - b. Comp. Revelation 20:11-15

2. Zechariah 6:11-13: The Coronation of the High Priest
 - a. High Priest Joshua = type of _____
 - b. Many crowns = type of _____ of Kings and _____ of Lords.
 - (1) Revelation 19:12, 16
 - c. Jesus as the _____ (Isa. 11:1, 2)
 - d. He is _____ His Temple (comp. Matt. 6:18).
 - e. He bears the full _____ of God (Zech. 6:13).
 - (1) *honor*, glory, honor, majesty, beauty, grandeur, excellence in form and appearance.
 - (2) 2 Corinthians 4:17 — “For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal _____ of _____.” (KJV)
 - f. John 17:22 — “I have given them the _____ that you gave me, that they may be _____ as we are one.”
 - (1) The whole _____ Body of Christ will bear the _____ glory of God.

D. Summary

II. LIFE IN THE ARK

A. Preparation for the Throne: Suffering

1. 2 Timothy 2:11, 12
 - a. “*It is* a faithful saying: For if we be dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*: If we _____, we shall also _____ with *him*...” (KJV)

2. 1 Peter 4:1, 2
- a. “Forasmuch then as Christ hath _____ for us in the _____, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath _____ in the _____ hath ceased from sin; That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.”
- (1) “Suffering in the flesh” means the continual _____ of the _____ nature.

3. Not all suffering is _____.
- a. 1 Peter 4:15, 16
- b. 1 John 3:15

B. Result — Areas in Us _____.

1. Dead to sin
- a. Sin has no more _____ for you.
- b. Sin produces no more _____ from you.
- c. Sin has no more _____ over you.
2. Denial of ego
- a. Denial of anything contrary to the _____ of God.
- b. Redemptive suffering — suffering in _____ will _____ you to the image of Christ.
- (1) Hebrews 5:8, 9
- (2) Philippians 3:10, 11