

Moses' Tabernacle
The Ark: Is It "Just" a Beautiful Box?
(Exodus 25:1-10)

I. The Characteristics of this Ark

- A. The First Article Built (v. 10, v. 22; Gen 1:1)
- B. The Finest Article Built (v. 11-20)
 - 1. Built out of Wood
 - 2. Overlaid with Gold
 - 3. Covered with a Seat
 - 4. Flanked by Cherubim
- C. The Foremost Article Built
 - 1. The Ark Preceded God's People (Num 10:33)
 - 2. The Ark Protected God's People (Num 14:41-45; Josh 6)
 - 3. The Ark Provided for God's People (Josh 3:3-15)

II. The Christ of this Ark

- A. Jesus is the Firstborn "Son of God" (Matt 3:17; Col 1:15-19)
- B. Jesus is the Finest "Son of Man" (Heb 10:5-7)
 - 1. The Wood - Christ's Sinless Humanity (Is 53:2; 1Jn 3:5)
 - 2. The Gold - Christ's Perfect Deity (Col 2:19; Heb 1:3)
 - a. Gold over the Ark - God the Father (John 14:7-18)
 - b. Wood within the Ark - God the Son
 - c. Gold within the Ark - God the Holy Spirit (Jn 3:34)
 - 3. The Covering - Jesus is our Mercy Seat (1John 2:1-2)
 - 4. The Cherubim - The Pleasing work of the Trinity
 - a. The Ark is Central in Heaven (Rev 11:19; Ps 99:1)
 - b. Our Savior sits Between the Cherubim (Ps 80:1)
- C. Jesus is the Foremost "Savior of Man" (Heb 9:23-28)
 - 1. He has Gone to Heaven before us. (v. 23-24)
 - 2. His' Blood protects us from Punishment. (vv. 25-28a)
 - 3. His Grace provides for all our Needs. (v. 28b; Eph 1:3)

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