

God's Presence through the Bible

Introduction

1) The Pattern of the Kingdom

Eden (Gen 3:8)

2) The Perished Kingdom

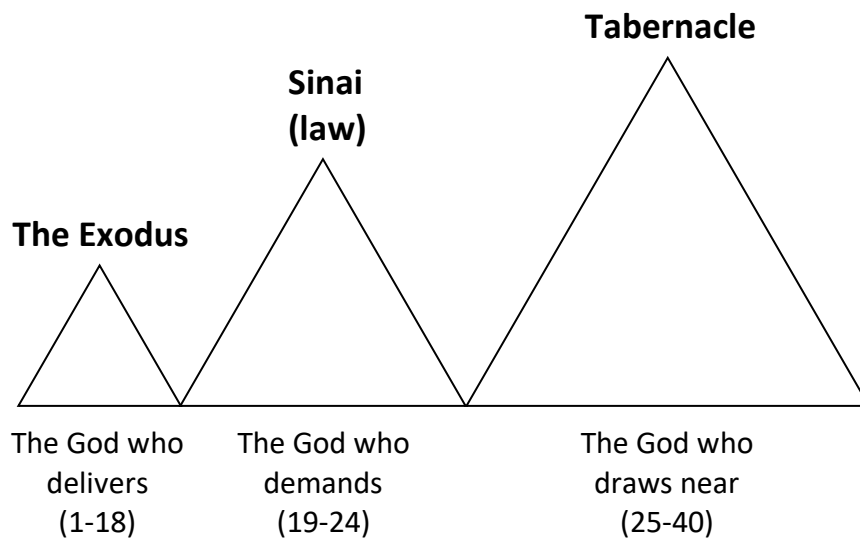
Banished (Gen 3:23-24)

3) The Promised Kingdom

"To your offspring I will give this land" (Gen 12:7)

"I will be their God" (Gen 17:8)

4) The Partial Kingdom

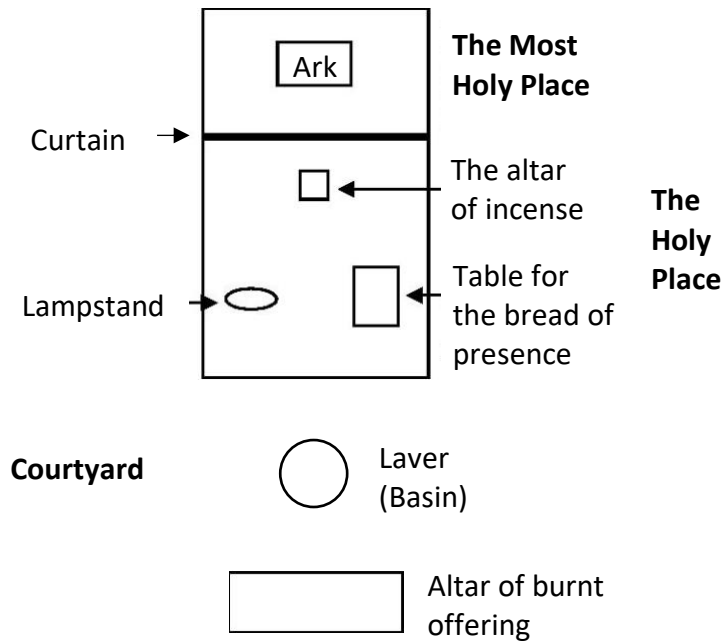


- The tabernacle

A partial return to Eden (Exodus 25:8; 29:45-46)

A series of barriers

The curtain (Exodus 26:33)



- The temple (1 Kings 5-8)

The glory (1 Kings 8:10-11)

The glory departed (Ezekiel 10:18)

5) The Prophesied Kingdom

- The coming of the Lord (Malachi 3:1)
- A new temple (Ezekiel 40-48)

The returning glory (Ezekiel 43:4-5)

6) The Present Kingdom

- The coming of the Lord in glory (Jn 1:14)
- Jesus is the temple where we meet with God (Jn 2:19-22; 4:19-24)

7) The Proclaimed Kingdom

- Through Christ we have access to God's presence in heaven (Heb 10:19-22)
- By the Spirit God's presence is with us on earth

The church is God's temple (Eph 2:21-22)

8) The Perfected Kingdom

“God’s dwelling-place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them.” (Rev 21:3)

- No temple (Rev 21:22)

because the whole new creation is God’s dwelling