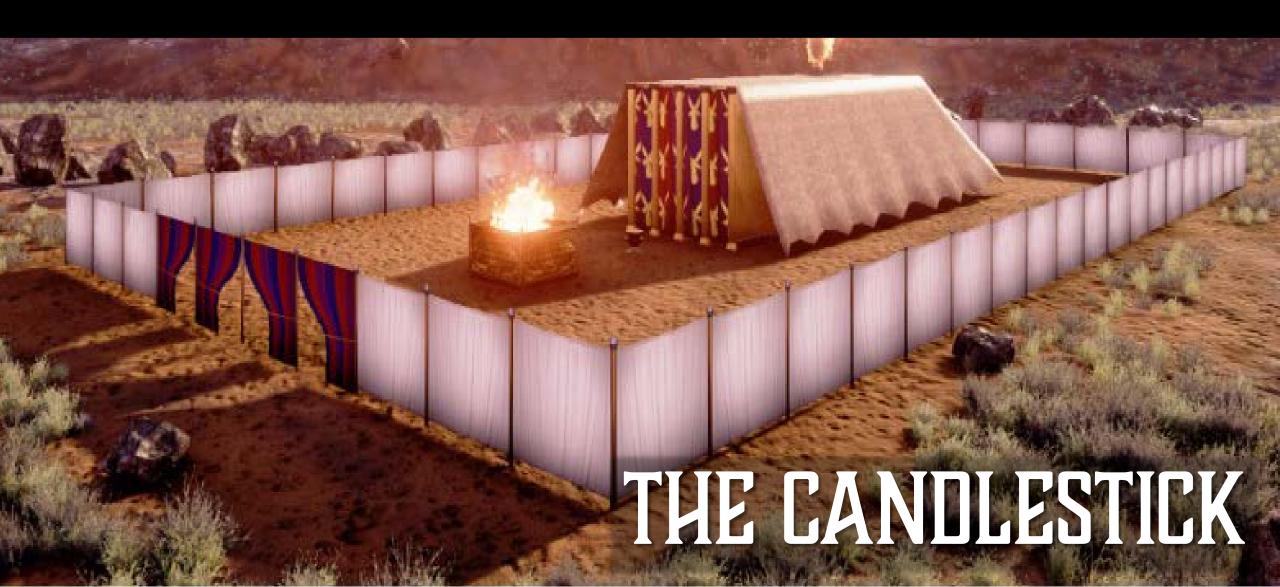
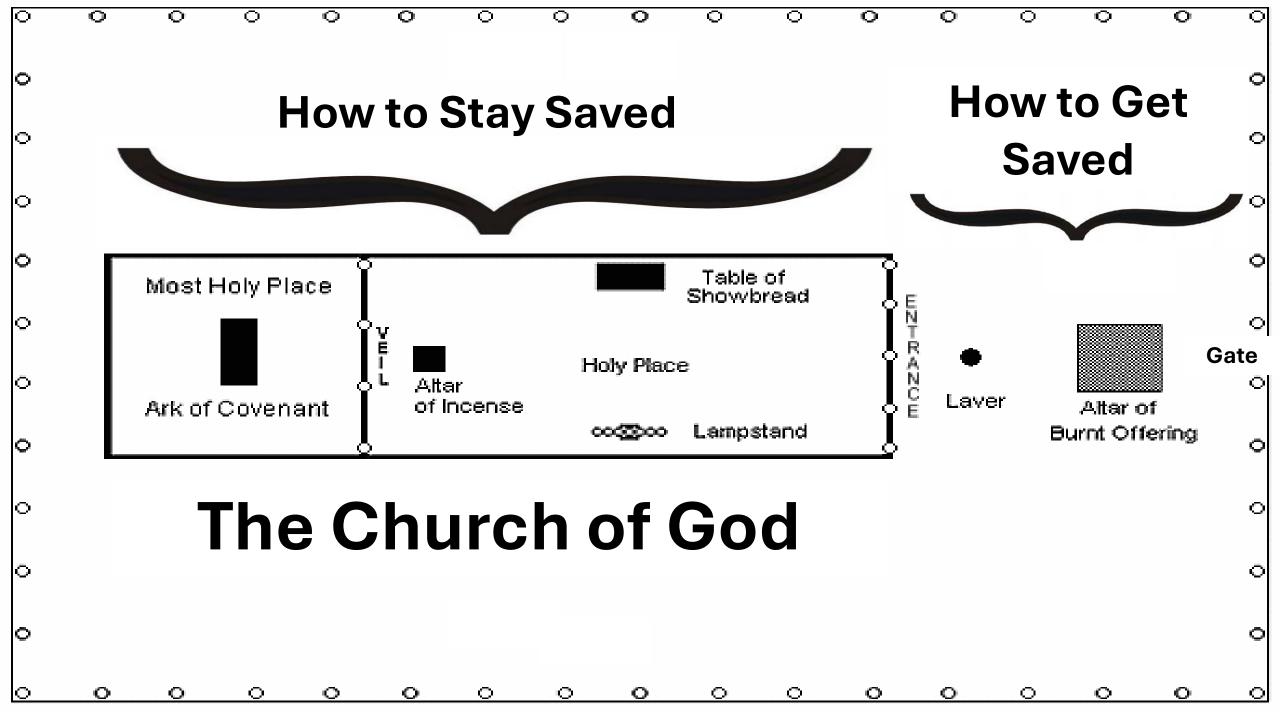
THE TABERNACLE STUDY





"The candlestick also for the light" (Exodus 35:14).

RESPONSIBILITIES of the PRIESTS:

Exodus 27:20 "Cause the lamp to burn ALWAYS"

Exodus 30:7 "Every morning ... DRESSETH [trim] the lamps."

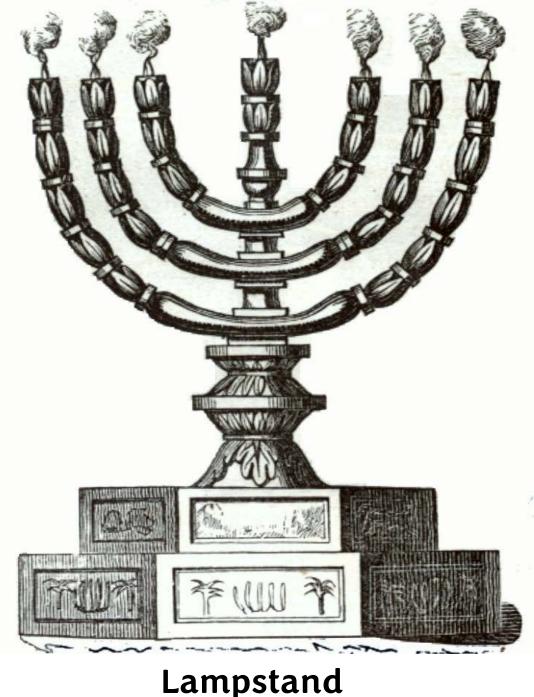
WITH SALVATION, WE ARE PRIESTS

Light is "understanding" (Psalm 119:130).

We need daily maintenance (prayer & Bible reading).

We need to "trim" off some things.





A Lampstand With Oil-Fed Lamps

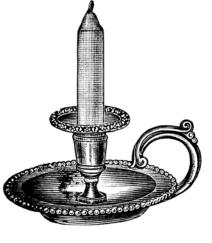
"Candle" in Greek is lampstand.

Compare:

- A candle is more affected by wind than an oil-fed lamp
- A candle is independent, but a lamp is dependent on the oil

Ephesians 4:14 warns about being "carried about with every wind of doctrine."

John 15:5 "Without me [Jesus] ye can do nothing."



Candlestick

What Do the Lamps Represent?

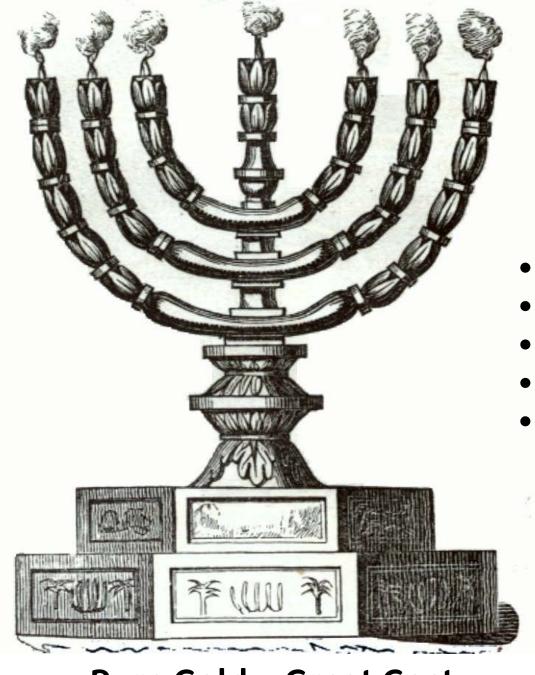
Isaiah 62:1 "SALVATION [is] as a lamp that burneth."

When you get saved, you need to join your lamp to other lamps."

"LAMPSTAND" = the Church of God

Matthew 5:15 "Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a BUSHEL, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house."

BUSHEL = anything that HIDES our light and (in time) puts it out



Pure Gold = Great Cost

Made of Pure Gold

Exodus 25:39 "Of a talent of pure gold shall he make it"

- talent = about 94 pounds
- price of gold today (2024)
- \$2,327.44 (ounce) x 16 = \$37,239.04 (1 pound)
- \$37,239.04 x 94 (pounds) = \$3,500,469.76
- the cost to make a pure, golden candlestick today

The Church of God was purchased at a GREAT COST!

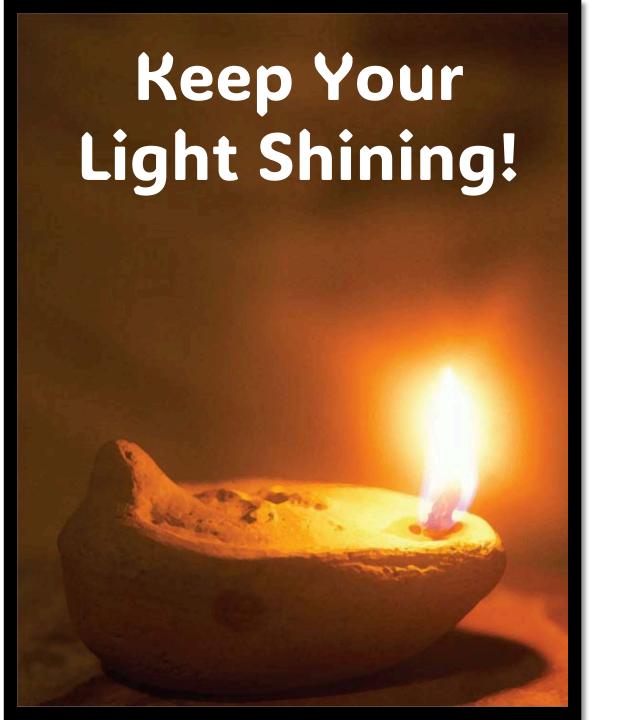
Made of "One Beaten Work"

Exodus 25:36 "It shall be one beaten work of pure gold."

- "BEATEN" = shape or form was changed
- Isaiah 52:14 "his visage [Jesus' face] was so marred [damaged, disfigured] more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men"
- "ONE" = represents unity
- For our lights to shine:
 - 1. We must be ONE with Christ
 - 2. We must be ONE with the body of Christ



"One Beaten Work" = Suffering of Christ & Unity



Exodus 27:20 "Cause the lamp to burn always"

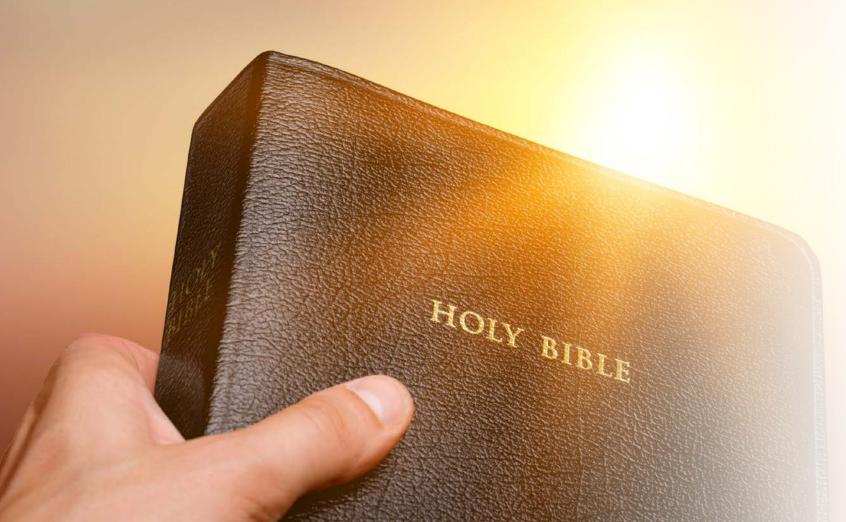
If we become more like the world, how will they find their way to Jesus?

BE INTENTIONAL!

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine

Matthew 5:14 "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid."

The World Needs Your Light!



- "Walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8)
- Your life's the only Bible some people read
- Does your "light" need some maintenance?
- How can we let our lights shine in a greater way?

1. Brightly beams our Father's mercy From His lighthouse evermore; But to us, He gives the keeping Of the lights along the shore.

Chorus:

Let the lower lights be burning!
Send a gleam across the wave!
Some poor fainting, struggling seaman
You may rescue, you may save.

- 2. Dark the night of sin has settled, Loud the angry billows roar; Eager eyes are watching, longing, For the lights along the shore.
- 3. Trim your feeble lamp, my brother! Some poor seaman, tempest-tossed, Trying now to make the harbor, In the darkness may be lost.

