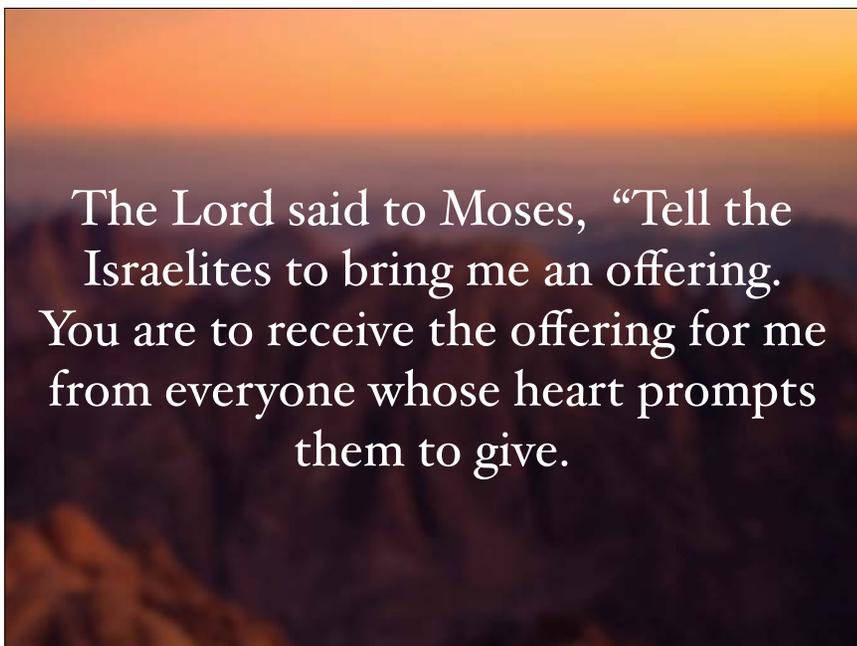


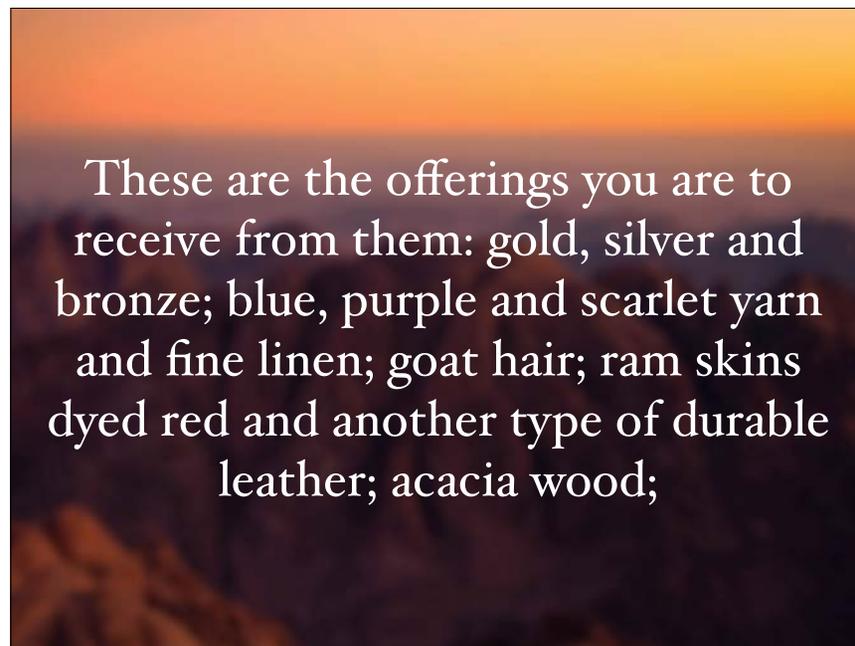
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olive oil for the light; spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense; and onyx stones and other gems to be mounted on the ephod and breastpiece.

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Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them.

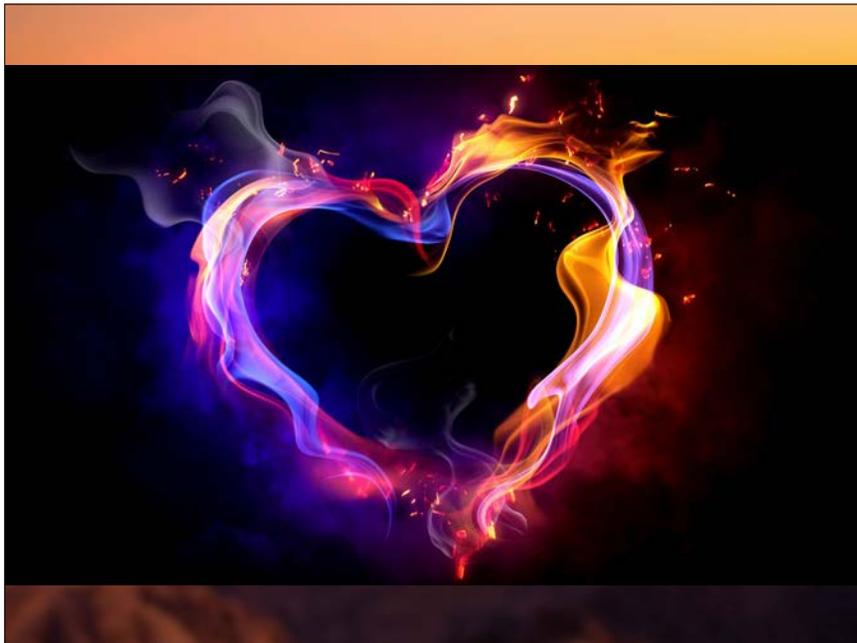
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The Lord said to Moses, “Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. **You are to receive the offering for me from everyone whose heart prompts them to give.**”

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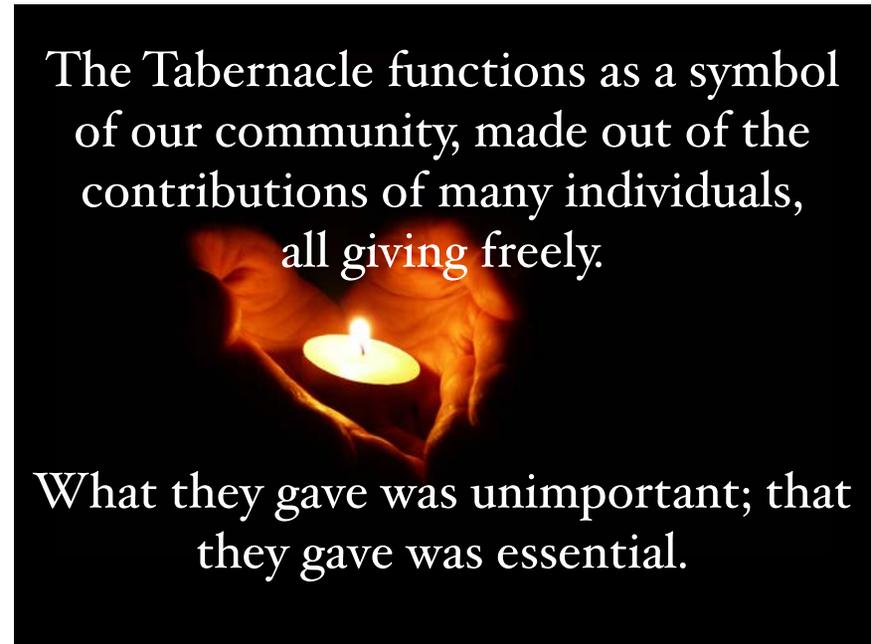
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The Tabernacle functions as a symbol of our community, made out of the contributions of many individuals, all giving freely.

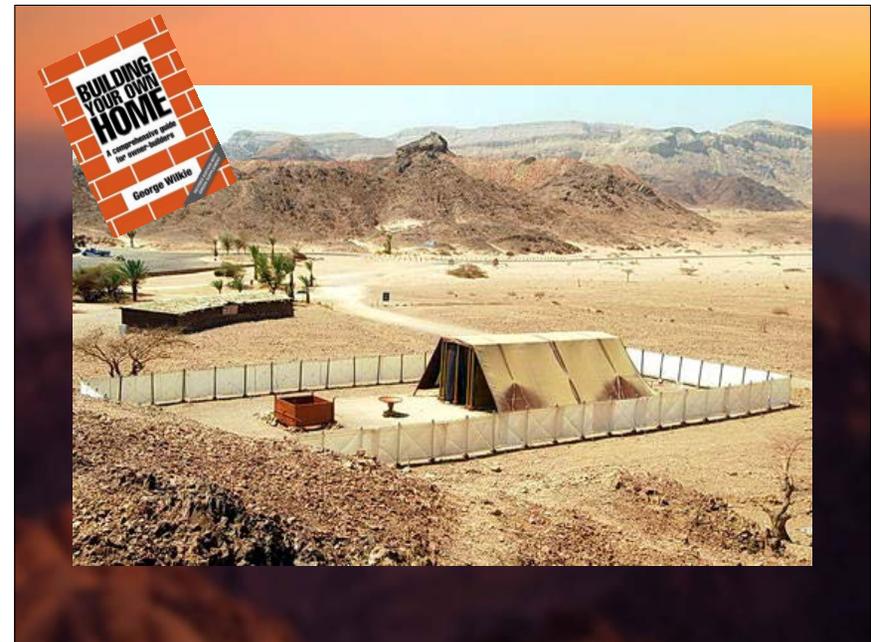
What they gave was unimportant; that they gave was essential.

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Together we can build something none of us could make alone.

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In building together,
we are being built.

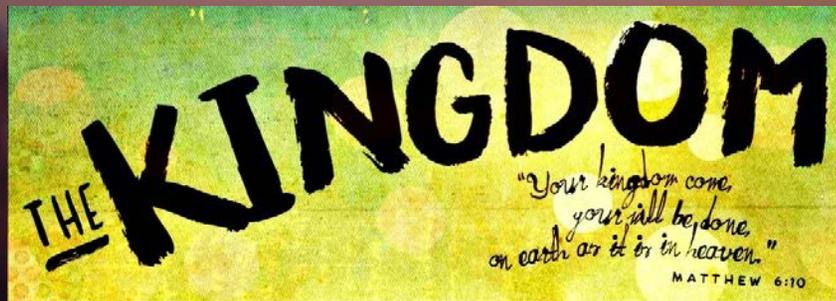
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In Christ, the whole building is joined
together and rises to become a holy
temple in the Lord.

And in him you too are being built
together to become a dwelling in
which God lives by his Spirit.

Ephesians 2:21-22

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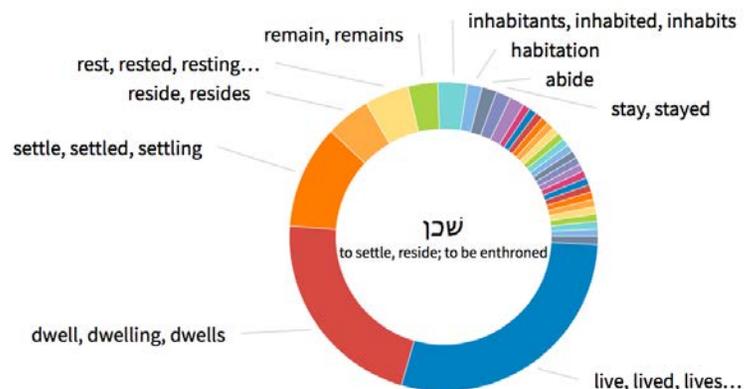
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וַעֲשׂוּ לִי מִקְדָּשׁ וְשָׁכַנְתִּי בְּתוֹכָם

And let them make for me a sanctuary and
I will dwell (sh'ken) in the midst of them.

Exodus 25:8

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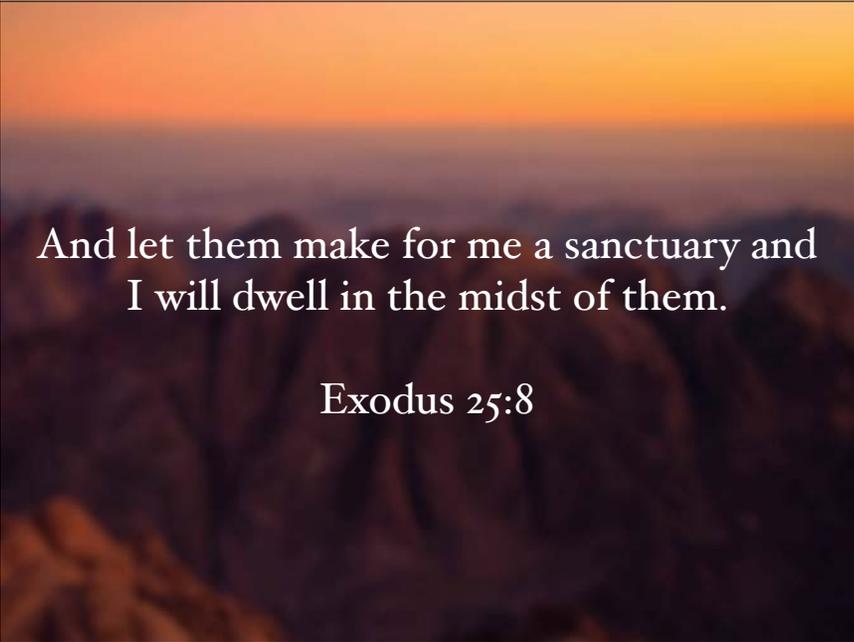


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When Moses went up on the
mountain, the cloud covered it, and
the glory of the Lord **settled** on
Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud
covered the mountain, and on the
seventh day the Lord called to
Moses from within the cloud.

Exodus 24:15-16

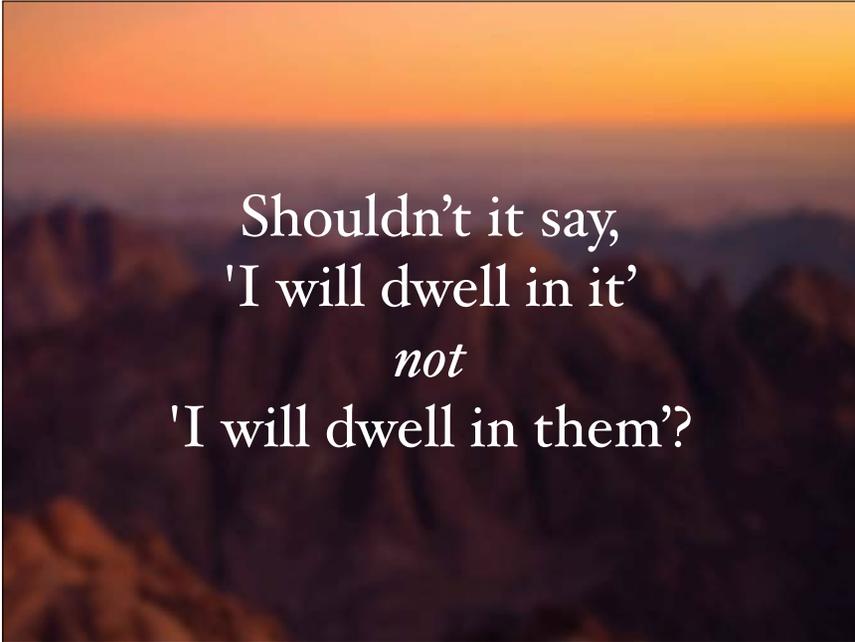
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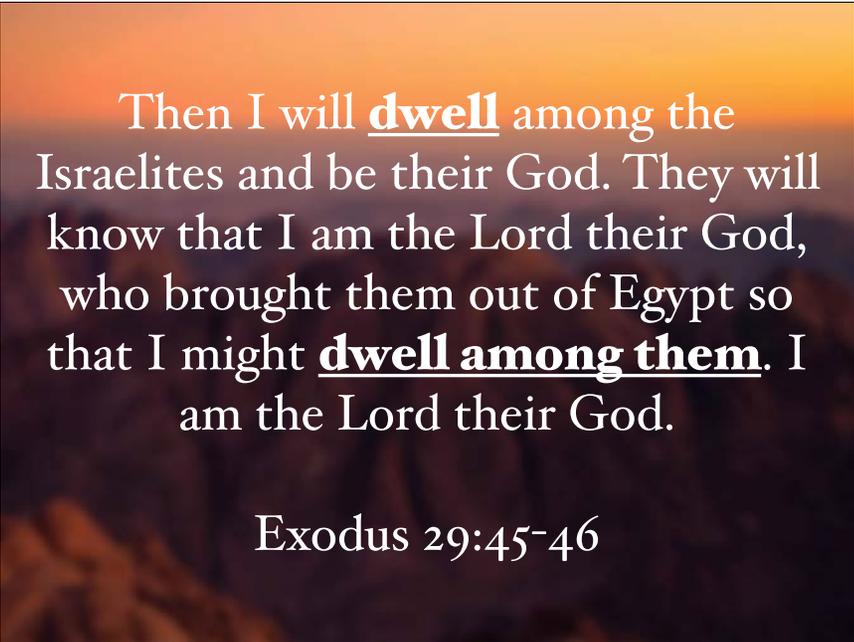
Exodus 25:8

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Shouldn't it say,
'I will dwell in it'
not
'I will dwell in them'?

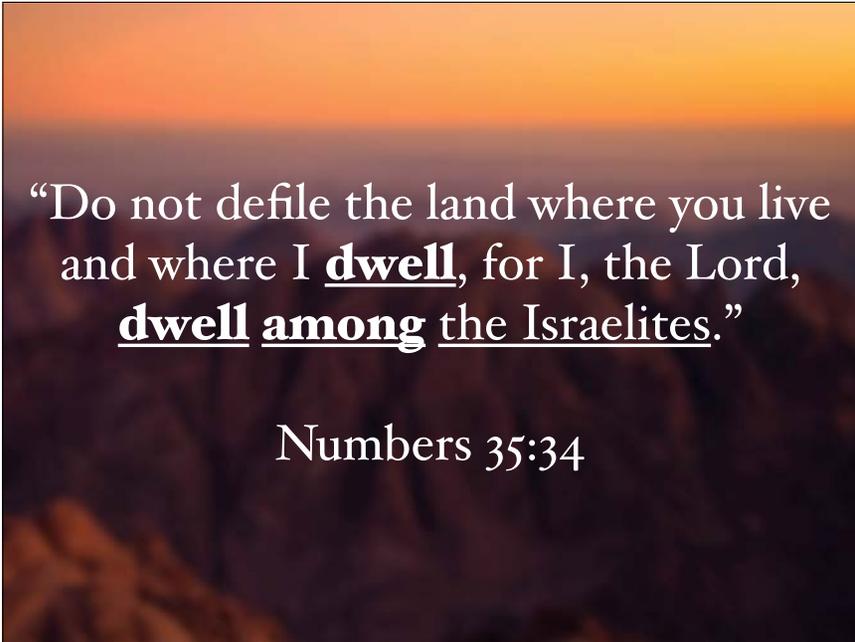
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Then I will **dwell** among the
Israelites and be their God. They will
know that I am the Lord their God,
who brought them out of Egypt so
that I might **dwell among them**. I
am the Lord their God.

Exodus 29:45-46

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“Do not defile the land where you live
and where I **dwell**, for I, the Lord,
dwell among the Israelites.”

Numbers 35:34

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God lives not in a building,
but in its builders;
not in a physical place,
but in the human heart.

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“The sanctuary was not a place in
which the objective existence of G-d
was somehow more concentrated than
elsewhere.

Rather, it was a place whose holiness
had the effect of opening the hearts of
those who stood there to the One
worshipped there.”

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

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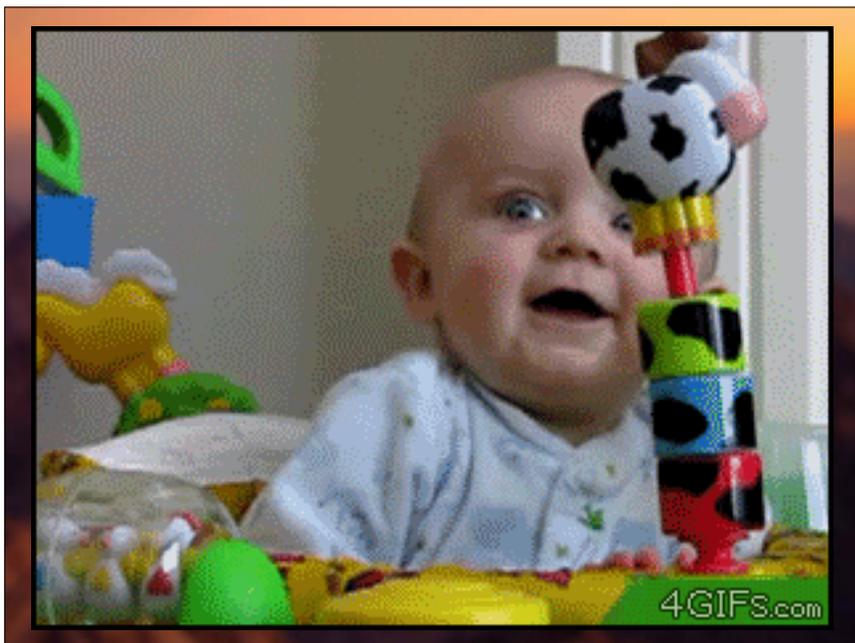
Thus, the building of the Tabernacle,
a small humble structure,
is an event of cosmic significance.

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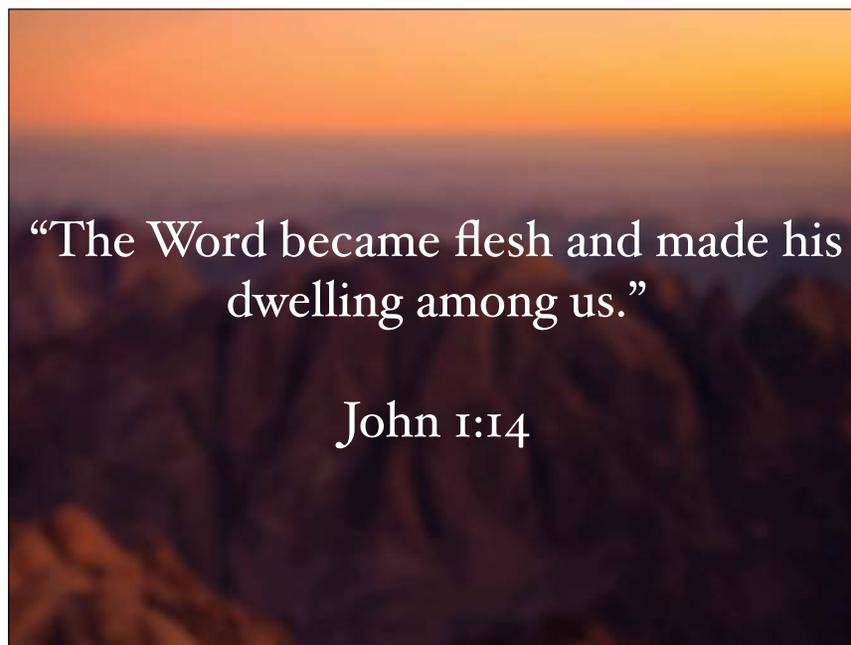
It brought God down from heaven,
to dwell in the midst of us.



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“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”

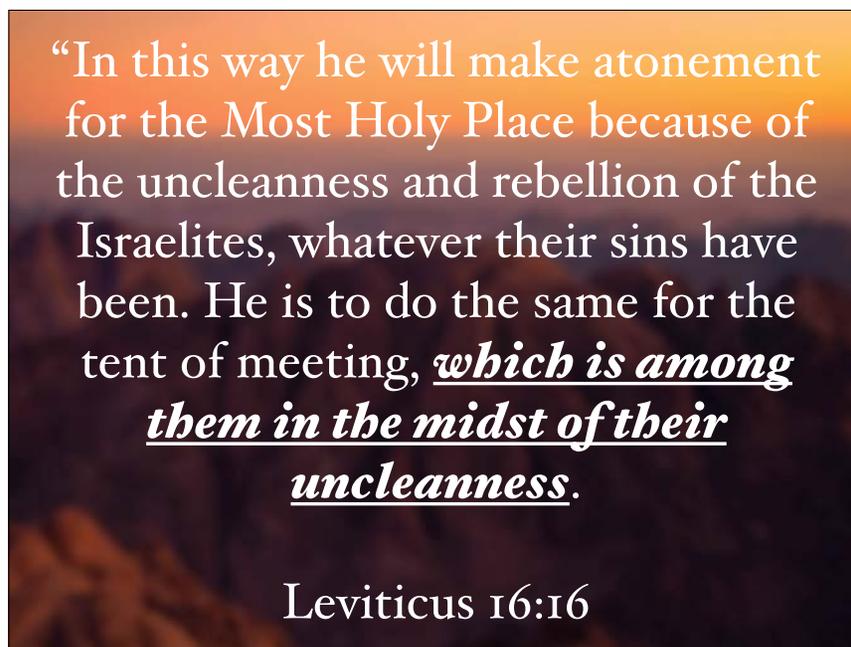
John 1:14

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**YES, EVEN IN THE
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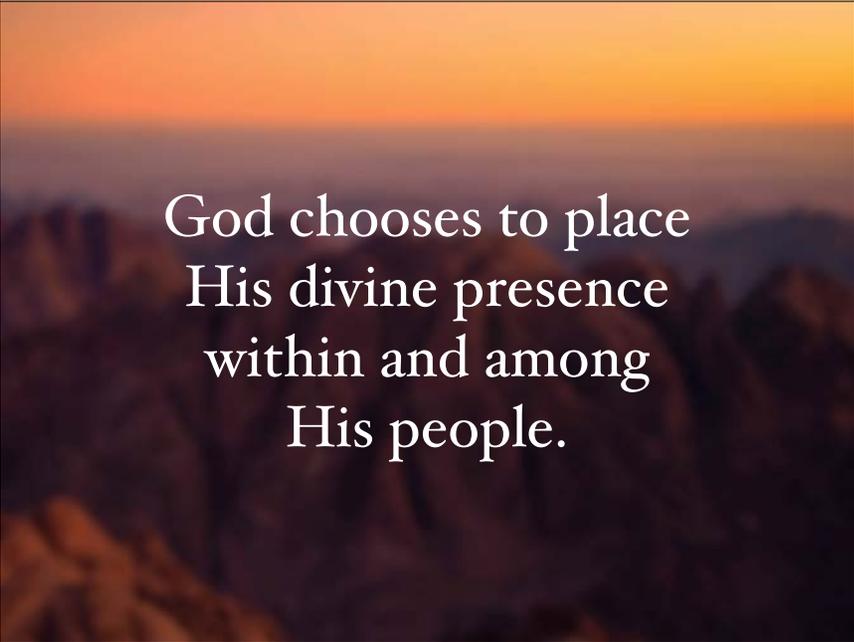
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“In this way he will make atonement for the Most Holy Place because of the uncleanness and rebellion of the Israelites, whatever their sins have been. He is to do the same for the tent of meeting, *which is among them in the midst of their uncleanness.*”

Leviticus 16:16

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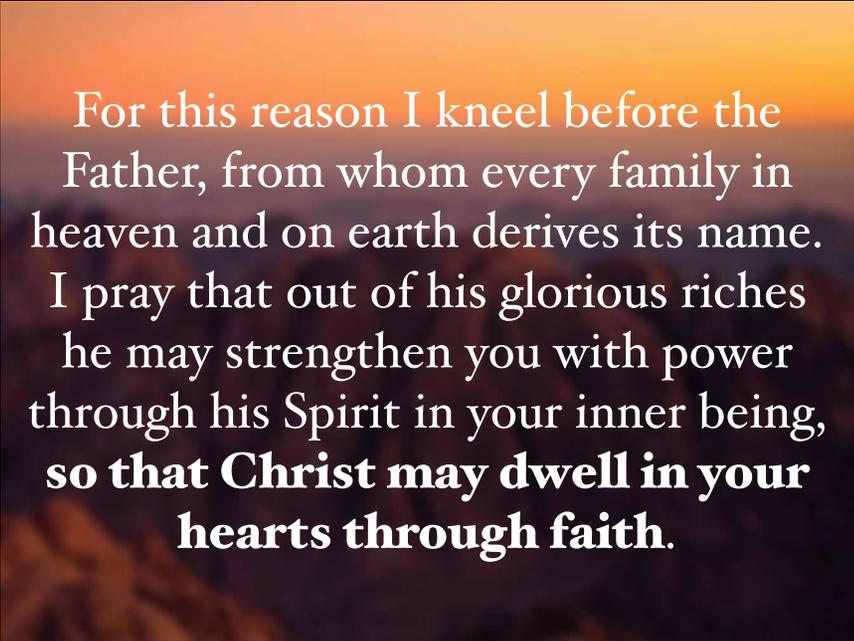
God chooses to place
His divine presence
within and among
His people.

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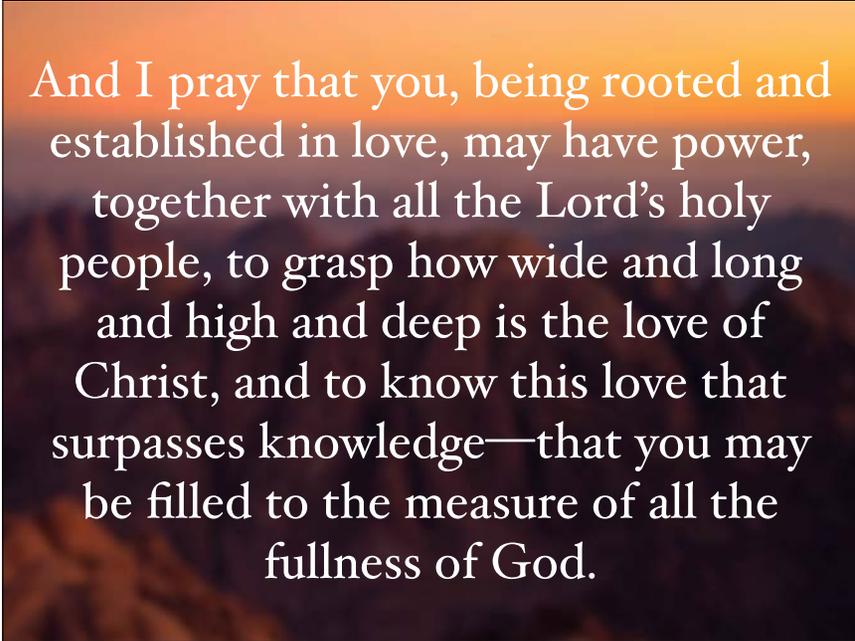
EPHESIANS 3

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For this reason I kneel before the
Father, from whom every family in
heaven and on earth derives its name.
I pray that out of his glorious riches
he may strengthen you with power
through his Spirit in your inner being,
**so that Christ may dwell in your
hearts through faith.**

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And I pray that you, being rooted and
established in love, may have power,
together with all the Lord's holy
people, to grasp how wide and long
and high and deep is the love of
Christ, and to know this love that
surpasses knowledge—that you may
be filled to the measure of all the
fullness of God.

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Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

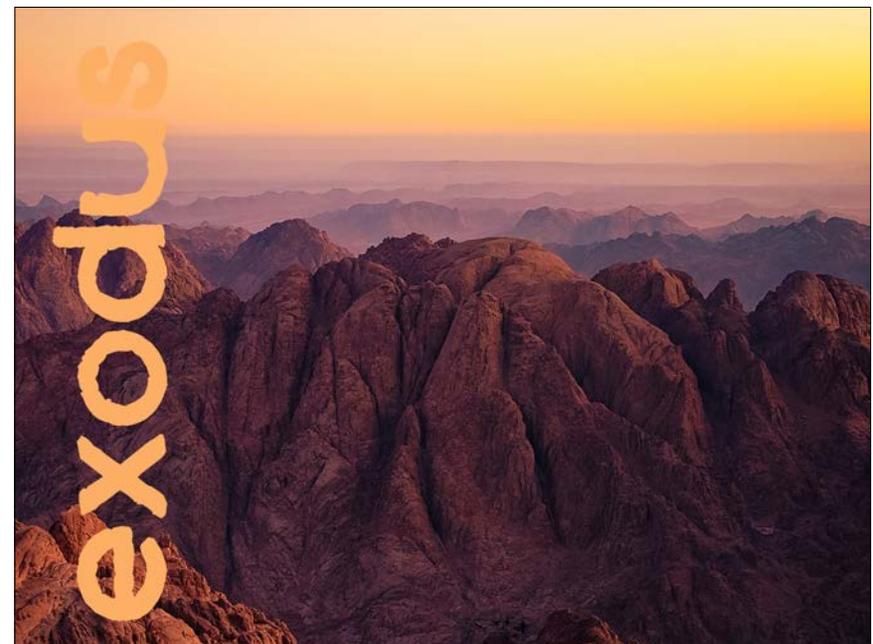
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