

THE TABERNACLE

Handout

"THE FENCE"

Scripture Text: "And thou shalt make the **COURT** of the tabernacle: for the south side southward there shall be **HANGINGS** for the court of fine twined **LINEN** of an **hundred cubits** long for one side: And the twenty pillars thereof and their twenty **SOCKETS** (*sovereign foundations*) shall be of **BRASS**; the **HOOKS** of the pillars and their **FILLETS** (*rods*) shall be of **SILVER**. And likewise for the north side in length there shall be **HANGINGS** of an **hundred cubits long**, and his **twenty pillars** and their **twenty sockets** of **BRASS**; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of **SILVER**. And for the breadth of the court on the west side shall be **HANGINGS** of **fifty cubits**; their **pillars ten**, and their **sockets ten**. And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be **fifty cubits**. The hangings of one side of the **GATE** shall be fifteen cubits: their **pillars three**, and their **sockets three**. And on the other side shall be **HANGINGS** fifteen cubits: their **pillars three**, and their **sockets three**." (Exodus 27:9-15)

"...and the overlaying of the **CHAPITERS** (*highest head or bands of pillars*) of **SILVER**..." (Exodus 38:17)

"And all the **PINS** (*nails in the ground*) of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, were of **BRASS**." (Exodus 38:20)

"...his pillars and his sockets, and the hanging for the court gate, his **CORDS**, and his pins..." (Exodus 39:40)

Please notice the picture of the fence on the video and the color depictions of the tabernacle and court fence I've handed out to you. Remember, these meticulous instructions for the building of the tabernacle were given to Moses on Mt. Sinai. God emphasized to Moses that the tabernacle was to be built **EXACTLY**

"...according to all that I (God) shew thee, after the **PATTERN**..." (Exodus 25:40)

The New Testament book of Hebrews, 8:5 tells us that these **PATTERNS** in the Old Testament tabernacle were **EXAMPLES** and **SHADOWS** of the **SPIRITUAL**. In other words, God was painting pictures, using what we could see with the physical eye in the Old Testament, (i.e., the tangible), to understand the intangible, (i.e., the **UNSEEN SPIRITUAL** concepts/principles--where the root of man's problem is found.) The Old Testament was **NOT** Plan A that failed and caused God to say, "OOPS, now I've got to come up with Plan B, the New Testament!" His plan has been the **SAME** from before time began, for Jesus was...

"...slain from the foundation of the world."

The purpose of the Old Testament is to give us, as fallen, sense-dominated people, "sensory" experiences so that we could understand the Plan of Redemption that would be coming through the Messiah, The Lord Jesus Christ.

QUESTION: What was the **FIRST** lesson God was pictorially demonstrating in the fence surrounding the tabernacle?

ANSWER: _____

Again, to understand the Bible, we must read the **WHOLE** Bible. As "scripture interprets scripture" and as "precept is laid upon precept," the Bible explains to us why **LINEN** was used as the "**HANGINGS**" or curtains of the fence.

THE LINEN

Linen is derived from a plant of the **earth**, flax. It is, therefore, an "**earthy**" substance, but can be brought to a whitened color. It is a picture of Jesus in His "**Earthiness**," that is, His **Humanity**. He was Son of Man (**human**) but also Son of God (**Divine**). Linen was even associated with Jesus in His **death**, for He was wrapped in "**fine linen**." (Mk. 15:46) Linen is a physical representation of the **RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD**. In the New Testament book of Revelation, 19:8, the church (the redeemed from all nations, the Bride/Wife of The Lord Jesus Christ) is...

"arrayed in **FINE LINEN, CLEAN and WHITE**: for the **FINE LINEN** is the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of saints."

Also, in Revelation 19:14:

"All the armies which were in heaven followed Him (Jesus) upon white horses, clothed in **FINE LINEN, WHITE and CLEAN.**"

The 3 disciples on the Mount of Transfiguration got a "peek" at **Jesus UNVEILED AND in all THE WHITENESS of His FINE LINEN RIGHTEOUSNESS:**

"And after six days Jesus taketh with Him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and He was **TRANSFIGURED** before them. And His raiment became shining, exceeding **WHITE** as snow, so as no fuller on earth can **WHITE** them." (Mark 9:2-3)

The court fence of "fine twined linen" is a **sensory lesson** for us. God had given the example to the Hebrews at Mt. Sinai when He had to set boundaries for them--**TO PROTECT THEM!** It was **NOT** that God was being **UNTOUCHABLE and aloof**, for He was longing to be among His people. At Sinai, God was showing them the full extent of what the **FALL** of ADAM and EVE had caused in the human race. Whatever **SIN** has changed in us from the original creation, we, as sinners, **cannot survive in the Presence of the HOLINESS of God!** (Just take a look at Nadab and Abihu (with their "strange fire" before the Lord) and Uzzah who tried to steady the cart carrying the Ark of the Covenant!)

The court fence demonstrated the great chasm or **gulf** that exists between fallen man and Holy God--the **LINE(N)** of demarcation. In the New Testament, Jesus told a story about a rich man and a beggar named Lazarus. Lazarus died and was in the place of the righteous dead at that period in time--**ABRAHAM'S BOSOM.** When the rich man, who died and went to hell because he died in his **SINS**, called out for the beggar Lazarus to cross over and...

"dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame,"

Jesus stated that righteous Lazarus could **NOT** approach the rich man in hell because...

"there is a great **GULF** fixed: so that they which would pass from hence (here) to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence (there)."

It is a graphic illustration that **SIN** and the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of God **CANNOT comingle!** (Remember, God repeatedly reinforced this truth with the Hebrews under Moses' leadership when He gave the people laws about comingling certain seeds of their crops, certain fabrics in their garments, and distinctions between "clean" food and "unclean" food. Again, these laws were to help them understand the UNSEEN, SPIRITUAL principles.)

But the **GOOD NEWS** is that, while the court fence demonstrated that sinful man could not approach Holy God, lest he die, the fence is also showing us through the use of the **LINEN** that **something is coming in the future**--something that would be, like the **LINEN**, of the earth (**human**), but would be the **WHITENESS** of the **LINEN**--the very **RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD**. The **LINEN** pictures the **Lord Jesus Christ**. He **stands**, like the **LINEN in the fence**, between us and Holy God. The Lord Jesus is the **MEDIATOR**, the **DAYS MAN** for which Job lamented and acknowledged his desperate need of while in such misery:

"For He (God) is not a man, as I (Job) am, that I should answer Him, and we should come together in judgment. Neither is there any **days man betwixt us**, that might lay his hand upon us both." (Job 9:32-33)

Job's exquisite and unfathomable suffering made him realize that no sinful human being had hands that could reach from earth to the Throne of Heaven--laying hands upon God and man both, at once.

Job knew that mankind needed a "go-between." But no mere man could do it! The only one who can mediate with God is God and the only one who can mediate with man is man. This Mediator would have to be something **DIFFERENT**, (way better than the X-Men my grandkids watch! 😊) that is, a **new creation**. The Mediator would be called "that Holy **THING**" (Luke 1:35) by the angel announcing to little Mary that she would become pregnant with the Messiah, The Son of God. He would be the **GOD-MAN**. With "scripture interpreting scripture" we learn that the **Mediator is Jesus Christ**:

"For there is one God, and one **MEDIATOR BETWEEN** God and men, the **MAN** Christ Jesus." (I Timothy 2:5, Hebrews 8:6)

"He (Jesus) is the **MEDIATOR** of the new covenant." (Hebrews 12:24)

He who knew no sin, **became sin FOR US** that we "might be **MADE** the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of God in Him!" (2 Corinthians 5:21) Jesus was victorious over Death, Hell, and the Grave. The **Lord Jesus Christ**, our **FINE LINEN FENCE**, is none other than the **LADDER** that Jacob saw way back in Genesis 28:12-13. (Incidentally, Jacob's wife, Leah, named one of her sons, "**LEVI**," which means "**BRIDGE**." This would later be the tribe God would choose to be His **mediators**, His **priests**, in the Old Testament worship.)



(God has been working on this PLAN a LONG TIME!)

Lastly, regarding the **LINEN**, please note the Bible's use of the word "**HANGINGS**." You will see the word "**HANGINGS**" used repeatedly as we enter the court and tabernacle itself. As God lays down the **PATTERNS** in the scriptures, a **pattern unfolds** as to how mankind became **sinners by nature**--the **ORIGINAL SIN** of Adam and Eve.

QUESTION: What was the location that Satan used in the Garden of Eden to deceive Eve? Where was he?

ANSWER: _____

Since man's fall began with Satan using a **TREE**, God developed a principle with the Hebrew people--"Cursed is anyone that **HANGETH** upon a **TREE**." (Deut. 21:23 and fulfilled by Jesus Christ as stated in Galatians 3:13)

Jesus, our **PERFECT LINEN**, was **HANGED** upon a **TREE** to redeem us from the **CURSE**. In His public ministry, the Lord Jesus explained the **POWER** behind the "**HANGINGS**" of God:

"Thou shalt **LOVE** the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the

second is like unto it, Thou shalt **LOVE** thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments **HANG** all the law and the prophets." (Matt. 22:37-40)

PRAISE GOD!!! All of those **HANGINGS** demonstrate that the **LOVE of GOD** is the **POWER** behind **ALL HE DOES IN THE ACT OF REDEMPTION!...**

AND...1 Corinthians Chapter 13 tells us that **God's LOVE CANNOT FAIL**. Jesus, the **LOVE of God INCARNATED**, could **NOT** fail in His **LOVE-MISSION**.

...AND, beloved, His LOVE will NOT fail you!!! In fact, it is **IMPOSSIBLE** for His **LOVE** to **FAIL!!!** His **LOVE** guarantees that on that "great getting-up morning," your dead body is coming up out of that grave! How do I know that? Because the scriptures declare that the "**LOVE of GOD** has been shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost." Jesus demonstrated a Divine Truth: Love cannot be killed! It **ALWAYS RESURRECTS!**

SOMEBODY NEEDS TO JUMP A PEW RIGHT HERE OR BLOW A SHOFAR!!!

THE SILVER HOOKS, THE SILVER FILLETS (RODS), THE SILVER CHAPTERS (PILLAR HEADS OR BANDS)

Let's look back at the picture in the video and our handout pictures. We've all hung curtains, so this should be a no-brainer for all of us. The **SILVER FILLETS** are the "**curtain rods**," from which the **FINE TWINED LINEN** was hung with the **SILVER HOOKS**. The **SILVER CHAPTERS** are the **TOPS** or **HEADS** or **BANDS** of the **INCORRUPTIBLE wooden Pillars** (posts). It behooves us to pay close attention as God specifies the **DIFFERENT MATERIALS** to be used throughout the tabernacle. Again, as the Book of Hebrews tells us, they are **PATTERNS** and **EXAMPLES** to us which unite the central theme of the Bible: Jesus Christ and the Redemption He freely offers.

God specified the use of **SILVER** for the **Fillets** (rods), for the **Hooks**, and for the **Chapters** (heads) of the wooden pillars (posts).

QUESTION: What does "scripture interpreting scripture" tell us about the significance of **SILVER**?

ANSWER: _____

With the principle of "scripture interpreting scripture," we find that **SILVER** is consistently associated with 3 concepts:

1. Refinement and Trying, as in purifying (purging) metals to remove the dross and testing the worth.

"The **FINING** pot (the crucible) is for **SILVER**..." (Proverbs 17:3)

"For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast **TRIED** us, as **SILVER** is **TRIED**." (Psalm 66:10)

"And I (God) will bring the third part through the fire, and will **REFINE** them as **SILVER** is **REFINED**...and they shall say, The Lord is my God." (Zechariah 13:9)

"Take away the **DROSS** from the **SILVER**, and there shall come forth a **vessel** for the finer." (Proverbs 25:4)

2. Redemption (Ransom), as in paying the cost, the great "buy-back," Almighty God's "Quid pro quo."

Job spoke of the **certainty of REDEMPTION**, for he said,

"Surely there is a vein for the **SILVER**, and a place for gold where they fine (refine) it." (Job 28:1)

The Lord told Moses that every man of Israel, **20 years old and above**, was to give a **RANSOM** for his soul of **SILVER**. The amount, no matter how rich or poor, **WAS THE SAME FOR ALL**: half a shekel of **SILVER**.

"The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel, when they give an offering unto the Lord, to make an **ATONEMENT** for your souls." (Exodus 30:11-15)

Silver was the worth of a **SLAVE**.

"If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master **THIRTY SHEKELS OF SILVER**, and the ox shall be stoned." (Exodus 21:32)

Jesus fulfilled the law of the Old Testament slave (Exodus 21:5-6) who freely chose to stay with his master (Father) and do his master's (Father's) will by **submitting to a PIERCING** of his ear to his master's door. The price of that slave was shown in Jesus' betrayal by Judas just prior to the **PIERCING of the cross**.

"Then Judas, which had betrayed Him, (Jesus) when he saw that He was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the **THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER** to the chief priests and elders, Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood..." (Matthew 27:3-4)

3. Speech or Words

"The **tongue** of the just is as choice **SILVER**..." (Proverbs 10:20)

"A **word** fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of **SILVER**." (Proverbs 25:11)

"The **words** of the **Lord** are **pure words**: as **SILVER** tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times." (Psalm 12:6)

QUESTION: Look again at the pictures of the Fence. What are you seeing (using the above scriptures as interpretation) as the relationship of the silver with the fine-twined linen and as the relationship of the tops (chapters) with the incorruptible wooden pillars?

ANSWER: _____

Clearly, the Fence depicted the separation between Righteous, Holy God and sinful man. **BUT...** As with the perfect righteousness of white linen, the **SILVER** also speaks of **perfection** which will **REDEEM the IMPERFECT!!!**

Jesus Christ is **PERFECTLY REFINED SILVER**. He was **TESTED** by the Devil in the wilderness in all 3 areas of human failure: (1) the lust of the flesh (2) the lust of the eyes (3) the pride of life ...AND Jesus was victorious over all! He stayed in that wilderness trial for 40 days--a day for each of the 40 YEARS ancient Israel had failed their testing!

*My daddy use to say to me when I was in various adversities of life, "Honey, you've got to **PROVE** your metal!" Well...that is exactly what Jesus did! He proved He was and is the **PERFECT SILVER METAL** of **REFINEMENT AND REDEMPTION! HALLELUJAH!** The Devil just didn't know what Jesus was made of! (That was a serious, strategic and tactical error by Satan!)

Jesus was **PERFECT SPEECH**: "Never man spake like this man." (John 7:46)

He was and is the Word of God (the **VOICE** that was in the Garden of Eden) **INCARNATED**: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...and the **Word was made FLESH** and **DWELT** (means **TABERNACLED**) among us..." (John 1:1, 14)

JESUS CHRIST IS OUR **PERFECT SILVER--PERFECT IN SPEECH, PERFECT IN CHARACTER, PERFECTLY QUALIFIED TO REDEEM US, FOR HIS SILVER IS BASED UPON THE VALUE OF HIS BLOOD-- THE VERY BLOOD OF GOD!**

"Ye are bought with a **PRICE**." (I Cor. 6:20)

"...the **PRECIOUS BLOOD** of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." (I Peter 1:18-19)

Jesus was and is that "half-shekel" of **silver** of the atonement money given at the tabernacle and His cost was the **BLOOD OF GOD**:

"The church of God which He (Jesus) hath purchased with **His own BLOOD**." (Acts 20:28)

*I think the church on planet earth needs to be singing and talking more about **THE BLOOD!** There is, indeed, "**Power in the Blood**." We are, as one song states, "**The BLOOD-BOUGHT, THE CHURCH, THE REDEEMED!**" How does the book of Revelation say that the believers overcome?

"...by the **BLOOD** of the Lamb and the word of their testimony..." (Rev. 12:11)

Keep in mind that as we progress into the tabernacle, we are going to be given a tremendous sensory lesson about **THE BLOOD!** The **COURT** is literally a slaughter house! God will be emphasizing the **NEED OF THE BLOOD** all the way through to

the MOST HOLY PLACE. The **BLOOD** is Jesus' **Silver**--It is His **PRECIOUS COST** of Redemption!

THE PILLARS OF ACACIA (SHITTIM) WOOD

Let's look again at our handouts and the picture in the video. The pillars (fence posts) were made of **INCORRUPTIBLE WOOD**--Acacia wood or **Shittim** wood--the **SAME WOOD** God commanded Noah in Genesis 6 to use in building the huge boat known as Noah's Ark (the **SALVATION BOAT**). As with the linen, the **INCORRUPTIBLE WOOD** speaks of the **PERFECT HUMANITY** of the Lord Jesus Christ. How do we know this? Again, "scripture interprets scripture." Many scriptures refer to men as "TREES."

"Blessed is the **MAN** that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful... And he shall be like a **TREE** planted by the rivers of water..." (Psalm 1: 1, 3)

"And He (Jesus) took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when He (Jesus) had spit on his eyes, and put His hands upon him, He asked him if he saw ought. And he (the blind man) looked up, and said, I see **MEN** as **TREES**, walking. After that He (Jesus) put His hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he (blind man) was restored, and saw every man clearly." (Mark 8:23-25)

*Note: The blind man received a tremendous "spiritual" healing first, in that he could see men's spiritual conditions when Jesus first touched him. At the second touch, the blind man was "physically" healed.

As with the **PERFECT LINEN** and the **PERFECT SILVER**, the **INCORRUPTIBLE WOOD OF THE ACACIA TREE PILLARS** speaks of the **PERFECT MAN**--the **SECOND ADAM, JESUS CHRIST**. Like the Linen, the **TREE** grows from the **GROUND** (the **Earth, the DIRT**). God cursed the **GROUND** in Genesis when man fell. Jesus was born in the likeness of us (**EARTHY**), but He was from **ANOTHER WORLD**:

"God sending his own Son in the **likeness of sinful flesh**, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh..." (Romans 8:3)

The **total number of pillars (posts)** for the fence was **60**. The number **6** is associated with **man**, who was created on **DAY 6** in Genesis. The number of the "Beast" in Revelation is 666. It is the number associated with our "Beast" or fallen, sin nature. In the book of Daniel and other areas of scripture, the "man-dominated" governments of this world are portrayed as "Beasts," because our world system is fallen. It signifies in the fence that this **fallen world is SEPARATED** from God.

God further specifically delineates the number of pillars (posts) on each long side of the fence--**20**. **Twenty** is the number God associated with the redemption of each man of his household during the wilderness journeys. Each man **20 years of age** and older, whether rich or poor, had to give the **same amount** of redemption money--half a shekel of silver which, in turn, measured at **20 gerahs**. The **20 pillars**, which spoke of **redemption (ransom)**, were **bridged** on each end by **10 pillars**--the number associated with **THE LAW (10 commandments)**. In the 10 pillars (posts), we have a picture of the **LAW**, which we could **not** keep, being **bridged with REDEMPTION**. Remember, Jacob's wife, Leah, **PROPHETICALLY** named one of her sons, **LEVI**, which means, **THE BRIDGE**. They were the tribe designated as the **PRIESTS** to minister in the tabernacle. They were the **FIRST** encampment surrounding the tabernacle. **They are a type of THE CHURCH, US!** We are the New Testament **UPGRADE** of the Levites--**THE LEVITES 2.0 VERSION!** 😊 The Bible states that the born-again believers are **KINGS AND PRIESTS** before our **GREAT JEHOVAH GOD**:

"And hast made US unto our God **KINGS and PRIESTS**: and we shall reign on the earth." (Revelation 5:10)

AND...just as the LEVITES were the FIRST encampment surrounding the tabernacle, we, the blood-bought church of the Living God, have become the **FIRSTFRUITS** of Christ's resurrection:

"...but **ourselves** also, which have the **FIRSTFRUITS** of the Spirit..." (Romans 8:23)

*Note: When the Church was "born," God scheduled the Outpouring on the Day of Pentecost, which is the **FEAST OF FIRSTFRUITS!** The **120** in the Upper Room in the Book of Acts were the fulfillment of the 120 Levitical Priests of Solomon's Temple.

THE SOCKETS (PILLAR FOUNDATIONS) AND PINS (NAILS) OF BRASS

While the tops of the fence pillars were of **SILVER**, the **SOCKETS** (bottoms or foundations) were of **BRASS**. The **PINS** (nails) that **STABILIZED** the **FENCE** were also of **BRASS**. The **PINS** (nails) were **driven INTO THE GROUND** and attached to the fence by **CORDS**.

Sin, which corrupted us, thereby making us unable to survive in the Presence of Holy God, had to be remedied for God to satisfy His longing Heart for fellowship/communion with a company made in His image--like Him. The original "sinner," Lucifer (Satan) introduced lawlessness and rebellion into worlds seen and unseen. Had God simply said that He loved us so much that He was willing to overlook sin, then His Love would have violated His Law, making His Love also Lawless. Can you imagine the eternal state of lawlessness which would eternally follow? God's Love could only be shown through a righteousness that **JUDGES** sin, yet saves the sinner. **BRASS** is the metal that God uses to demonstrate His **JUDGMENT**.

When the Hebrew people were wandering in the wilderness and murmuring against God's provision of manna, God sent **JUDGMENT** upon them by sending deadly, venomous serpents into the camp. After many had died, the people repented and asked for a **REMEDY**:

"And the **LORD** said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of **BRASS** and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of **BRASS**, he lived." (Numbers 21:8-9)

In the New Testament, Jesus declared that He would take **our JUDGMENT** for us and that He would be the fulfillment of Moses' serpent of **BRASS** lifted up upon a pole:

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:14-15)

When Israel grew into a large nation in the Promised Land and had kings, they fell into rebellion under King Rehoboam. As **judgment**, God allowed the King of Egypt to attack Jerusalem and take away the **GOLDEN** shields that King Solomon had previously made. In their place, King Rehoboam made **BRASS** shields. (I Kings 14:25-27)

The composition of **BRASS** is that which will stand the **TEST OF FIRE** and that which is left standing after the fire has been applied is **RIGHTEOUSNESS**. (Remember, our God is a consuming **FIRE**. He will consume **ALL** that is **HARMFUL** to us, because He **LOVES** us.)

The **PINS (nails)** were also of **BRASS**. God was associating **NAILS** with this **BRASS JUDGMENT**. The **NAILS** were spoken of throughout Old Testament scripture. Isaiah, speaking 700 years before Christ, calls Him a **NAIL**:

"...And I (God) will fasten Him (Jesus) as a **NAIL** in a sure place; and He shall be for a glorious throne to His Father's House." (Isaiah 22:23)

Ezra, who led the expedition back to Jerusalem from Babylon after God's 70-year **JUDGMENT** upon His people, spoke about rebuilding the destroyed Solomon's Temple. He spoke prophetically of Jesus, the "Greater than Solomon:"

"And now for a little space Grace hath been shewed from the Lord our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us **A NAIL** in His Holy Place..." (Ezra 9:8)

Remember, these **PINS (nails)** **STABILIZED** the fence. While the **BRASS** always symbolizes **JUDGMENT**, it is also a metal that can withstand fire, rain, wind, the elements of nature--and **NOT RUST**. The **PINS** were **DRIVEN** into the **GROUND**. The **GROUND** was **CURSED** by **GOD** in the fall of Adam and Eve. Jesus took the

curse **FOR US**. His **cross** was planted, as a tree, **INTO THE GROUND**. **Calvary's nails**, like the fence nails, were **DRIVEN** into His **Hands** and **precious FEET**.

The **CORDS** of **LINEN** which attached the **PINS (Nails)** to the tabernacle fence are interpreted many years later by the minor prophet, Hosea:

"I (God) drew them (Israel) with **CORDS** of a man, with **bands of LOVE...**"
(Hosea 11:4)

The **BRASS JUDGMENT** is the **FOUNDATION** (the footing) of Salvation. Sin has to be **JUDGED** and **ERADICATED**. Though **JUDGMENT** is **FIERY**, we must never forget that **JESUS** bore that **FIERY JUDGMENT** for us, **stabilizing us**, (just like the tabernacle **PINS**), and in so doing He **bound** Himself to us with **CORDS** of His **GREAT LOVE!**

Fifteen hundred years **BEFORE** the Birth of Christ, God meticulously showed Moses and all those who would read the Holy Scriptures thereafter, that He **LOVES** us, that He wants fellowship with us, and that He, Himself, was coming to redeem us! The Tabernacle of Moses is a Masterpiece of Design that clearly shows God knows the end from the beginning. He is Alpha and Omega! He is **ABLE!** He is worthy of our complete and total trust! **"GOD'S GOT THIS!"**

I can't say it any better than one of my favorite old church hymns, "O What a Savior:"

CHORUS:

*O what a Savior, O hallelujah, His heart was broken, on Calvary;
His hands were nail-scarred, His side was riven, He gave his life blood for even me.*

*V.1 Once I was straying in sin's dark valley, No hope within could I see;
They searched thru heaven, and found a Savior... To save a poor lost soul like me.*

*V.2 He left the Father, with all His riches, With calmness sweet and serene;
Came down from heaven, and gave his life blood... To make the vilest sinner clean.*

*V.3 Death's chilly waters, I'll soon be crossing, His hand will lead me safely o'er;
I'll join the chorus, in that great city, And sing up there forever more.*