

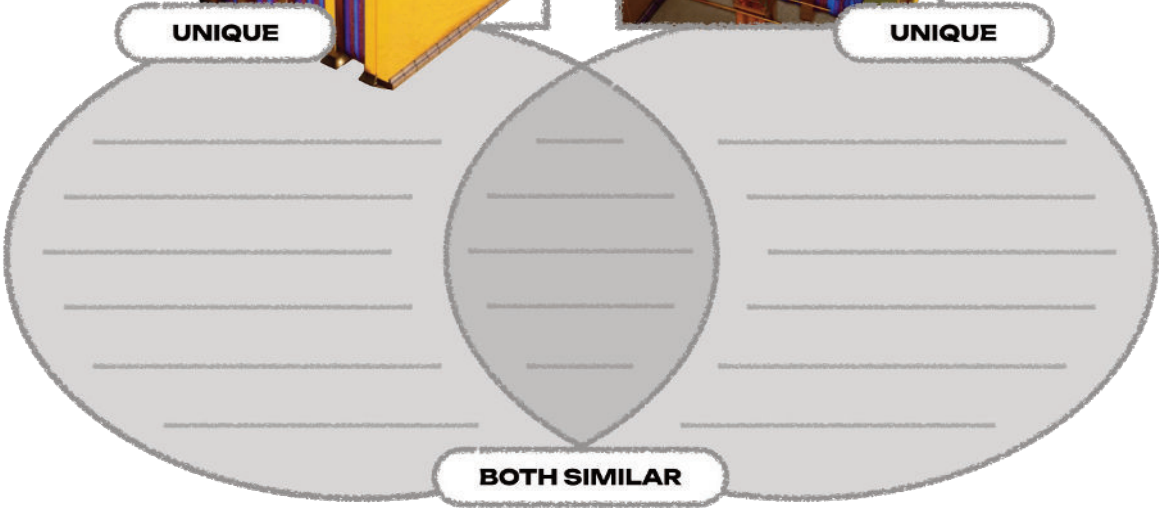
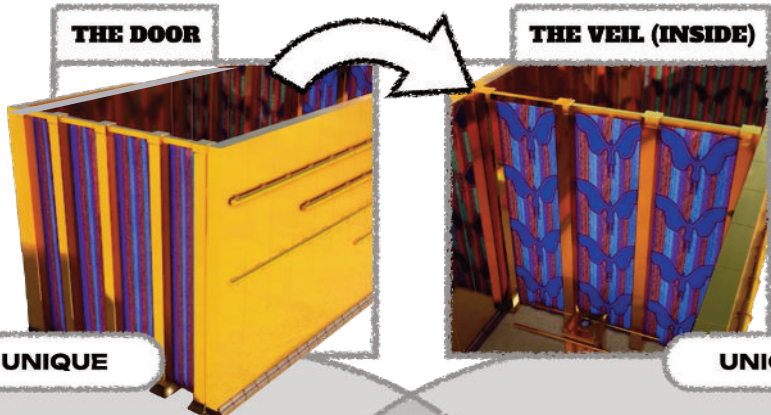
**GOD GOES  
CAMPING**

EPISODE 9: THE STRUCTURE

**THE DOOR, THE VEIL & PILLARS**

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“DRAWING”  
ON YOUR  
IDEAS



Look at the door with its pillars, then use the Venn Diagram to compare and contrast it to the veil and its pillars.

**WATCH & FILL-IN-THE-BLANKS**

1. There were \_\_\_\_\_ successive points of entry to the tabernacle, each more exclusive than the previous. The multi-colored linen gate was for \_\_\_\_\_. The curtained door into the Holy Place was only for \_\_\_\_\_. The veil was only entered through by the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The veil picture Christ's body in at least two ways: It \_\_\_\_\_ God's glory (as man cannot see God and live). It also \_\_\_\_\_ God's character.
3. Now that Christ's body-veil has been \_\_\_\_\_ in two like the temple veil, we have access through Him right into the Holiest!
4. The **door** into the Holy Place had \_\_\_\_\_ pillars with hooks, but the **veil** had only \_\_\_\_\_.

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5. The five bars can remind us of the Pentateuch. “The \_\_\_\_\_ was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith” (Gal 3:24).

6. God then provided for us four more pillars of truth in the \_\_\_\_\_, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

7. Write the closing reference that shows how Christ reveals to us both the truth of God’s law and, at the same, God’s amazing grace: \_\_\_\_\_

**READ & REFLECT ON:** Ex 26:31-37; Mk 15:33-41; Heb 10:19-22

What thoughts stand out as you read these portions of Scripture? How do these thoughts relate to this study and your life?

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**ACTIVITY: THINKING IT THROUGH**

Fill out the following chart.

How God drew near through the veil in the tabernacle	How the veil benefited man	How God drew near by tearing open the veil	How the removal of the veil benefited man
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**SOME HELPFUL QUOTES**

“Simultaneously with the death of Christ on Calvary came this divine rending of the veil of the Temple. So the way was opened—not to a mercy-seat and an ark, for no ark existed in Herod’s Temple. All trace of the Ark had been lost hundreds of years earlier at the time when Solomon’s Temple was destroyed. The death of Christ did not open the way to an Ark, but to God Himself. Types are now fading away as realities shed forth their wonderful light. Christ dies to turn shadows into substance.” —C.W. Slemming (*Made According to Pattern*, p 131)

“It was not the beauty of the veil that made entrance possible just as it was not the beauty of Christ’s earthly life that makes salvation possible. There had to be the sprinkling of the atoning blood in the Old Testament times, which pointed forward to the necessity of the Lord Jesus Christ’s shedding His blood on the cross. No one is saved from condemnation by endeavoring to imitate the life of Christ or by attempting to keep the Law. There has to be the shedding of blood and its application to the individual.” —**Theodore Epp** (*Portraits of Christ in the Tabernacle*, p 149)

“Do I get the feeling that some of you are saying, ‘I wish I had been with him then’? It must have been marvellous to have been with Christ when he was actually walking here and you could go up to him and touch him and hear him speak. You’d feel very near to God, wouldn’t you? But you have something better—surely you have!...as Christ has entered into the very presence of God and has made a way for us to enter in, we can actually enter into the holiness of God’s immediate presence now. Not bodily of course, but in spirit. A believer can lift his or her heart in the home, in the street, in the church—it doesn’t matter where—and sense that in spirit she or he has entered the very throne room of God and God has accepted them.” —**David Gooding** (*Myrtlefield.com “The Approach to God”*)

“What a picture of the perfect work of reconciliation of the Lord Jesus Christ. He took our sins, the only barrier between God and man, and bore them in the body of His flesh to Calvary, and put them all away by His own precious blood, and opened the way into the very presence of God. This is the lesson of the rent veil, the way of access to God.” —**M. R. De Hann** (*The Tabernacle*, p 115)

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Identify and explain the idea that was most profound or most helpful to you in this ninth lesson. What questions do you have from this lesson?
2. Explain the qualifications needed for someone to pass through each of the tabernacle’s three entryways. Explain the significance of each one for the believer.
3. Explain the connections between the law, the gospels, and the pillars in the tabernacle.
4. What impact, do you think, would learning about the veil being torn have on the Old Testament priests? Why? What impact should it have on us today?

### NOTES OF MY OWN

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