

# Walk Through The Temple

Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:23 NRSV

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- 3 Part Man

- Body
- Mind
- Spirit

- 3 Movements Throughout Church History

- Liturgy      Liturgical picture
  - Some of this started in the earliest years of the church
- Everything interacts with the body
  - Smell
  - Touch
  - Taste
  - Hearing
  - Seeing
- Reasoning      Library Picture
  - The great awakening movements were sparked by the age of reasoning or enlightenment
  - Is focused on intellect
    - Personal study of the word
    - Accountability amongst each other

- Charisma            Pentecostal charismatic picture
  - Starting at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century with Charles F. Parham and William Seymour and the Azusa Street revival in 1906.
    - Prophecy
    - Healing
    - Word of knowledge
    - Deliverance from spirits

- **Layout of the Temple**            **Ask for Picture of Temple**

- **Outer Court**

- Is the physical representation of our human existence
- Has everything to with our flesh
  - Sin and desires
- There is a 3-part layout
  - Gates
    - Ezekiel 40 describes gates that have 3 recesses on each side of the gates
    - 9 gates
  - Brazen altar
    - Sacrifices for sins
  - Brazen laver
    - Washing of hands and feet before entering the inner courts

- **Inner Court**            **Ask for picture of inner courts**

- Entering the inner courts, you had to pass between two columns on either side of the door.
  - Jachin - Wisdom
  - Boaz – Intelligence

- There is a 3-part layout
  - Menorah – candlestick
    - Had 7 lamps
      - These seven lamps are seen in **Zechariah 4** and it represented the spirit of God
      - It also represents in the book of **Isaiah 11** the seven spirits of God
        - Spirit of the Lord
        - Wisdom
        - Understanding
        - Counsel
        - Might
        - Knowledge
        - Fear of the lord
    - The Menorah represents the illumination or revelation of the Spirit of God.
    - It lights up the word
  - Table of shewbread
    - Held the pieces of bread that were shaped like scrolls
    - Represented the word of God
    - John 6 Jesus says I am the living bread
    - The light from the revelation of the Spirit illuminates the word of God.
    - Had to be fresh bread every day.
    - Bowls of incense were sat on the table with the bread
  - Altar of incense
    - Represented the prayers and worship of the people.
    - The incense was also new everyday
    - If you aren't reading your word to know God more intimately you will not have fuel for the altar of worship.

- When we offer strange fire it brings destruction – Lev. 10

- Holy of Holies

- Also has a 3-part layout
  - In the ark of the covenant
    - Jar of Manna
      - Supernatural Provision
    - 10 Commandments
      - Order of God
    - Rod of Aaron
      - Authority

- 1 Cor. 12-31 I'm going to show you a better way

- Holiness in our lives
  - 35% of Americans say that God does not expect us to live a holy lifestyle. The numbers are only slightly better in church goers at 46%.
  - More than half of church goers in America today do not consider holiness a priority
- Studying the Word
  - As of 2019
    - 5% Bible Centered
    - 19% Bible Engaged
    - 19% Bible Friendly
    - 9 % Bible Neutral
    - 48% Bible Disengaged
- Interaction with manifestation of the holy spirit
  - 56% of Christians believe that the gifts are active
    - 49%
    - 44%
    - 30%