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Tabernacle: tent, covering, (dwelling), (place), home, tabernacle Palace: pavilion or palace tent

What God’s tabernacle?

Hebrews 8:2 “A minister of the **sanctuary**, and of the true **tabernacle**, which the Lord pitched, and not man.” (See *Hebrews 9:2; Ezekiel 37:26, 27; Exodus 25:8; 26:11, 12*)

Jeremiah 17:12 “**A glorious high throne** from the beginning **is the place of our sanctuary**.” (See *Isaiah 6:1; Revelation 4:5; 8:3*)

Exodus 15:17 “Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the **mountain of thine inheritance**, in the place, O LORD, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in, **in the Sanctuary**, O Lord, which thy hands have established.” (See also *Psalms 15:1; Psalm 43:3*)

Zechariah 8:3 “Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and **the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain**.” (See *Isaiah 27:13; 33:20-22; Joel 3:17; Joel 2:1; Psalm 2:6*)

Isaiah 2:3 “And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to **the mountain of the LORD**, to **the house of the God of Jacob**; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the **law, and the word of the LORD** from Jerusalem.” (See *Micah 4:2*)

1 Timothy 3:15 “But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in **the house of God, which is the church** of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.”

Ephesians 5:27 “That he might present it to himself a **glorious church**, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be **holy** and without blemish.” (See *Isaiah 60:13*)

“Thus will be realized the **complete fulfillment** of the new-covenant promise, ‘I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.’ ‘In those days, and in that time, saith the Lord, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and **there shall be none**; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found.’” *Jeremiah 31:34; 50:20. (GC88, p. 484-5)*

Isaiah 4:2-6 “In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and **glorious**, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, **shall be called holy**... And the **LORD will create upon every dwelling place** of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, **a cloud and smoke by day**, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon **all the glory** shall be a defence. And **there shall be a tabernacle** for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for **a place of refuge, and for a covert** from storm and from rain”. (See *Isaiah 50:20*).

Isaiah 44:22 “I **have blotted out**, as a **thick cloud**, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.”

Acts 3:19 “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that **your sins may be blotted out**, when the **times of refreshing** shall come from the presence of the Lord” (See *Psalms 51:1, 9; Revelation 3:5; Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8*)

Job 5:24 “And thou shalt know that **thy tabernacle shall be in peace**; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and **shalt not sin**.”

“...in the time of trouble, **if the people of God had unconfessed sins** to appear before them while tortured with fear and anguish, **they would be overwhelmed**; despair would cut off their faith, and they could not have confidence to plead with God for deliverance. But while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness, they have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins **have gone beforehand** to Judgment, and **have been blotted out**; and they cannot bring them to remembrance...” (GC88, p. 620)

∴ **God’s tabernacle/sanctuary = glorious, holy mountain, his church; the covering refers to the blotting out of our sins through Jesus Christ**

God’s people are also His living sanctuary

1 Corinthians 3:16, 17 “Know ye not that **ye are the temple of God**, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.” (See *1 Corinthians 6:19, 20; 2 Corinthians 6:16*)

1 Peter 2:5 “Ye also, as lively stones, are **built up a spiritual house**, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 2:19-22 “Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and **of the household of God**; And are **built upon the foundation** of the apostles and prophets, **Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone**; In whom all the building fitly framed together **groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord**: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.”

“**God has a church**. It is not the great cathedral, neither is it the national establishment, neither is it the various denominations; **it is the people who love God and keep His commandments...**” (17 MR, p. 81)

Satan’s tabernacles are represented as the kingdoms of this world that are warring with God’s people:

Psalm 83:5-8 “For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: The **tabernacles of Edom**, and the **Ishmaelites**; of **Moab**, and the **Hagarenes**; **Gebal**, and **Ammon**, and **Amalek**; the **Philistines** with the inhabitants of **Tyre**; **Assur** also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah.” (See *Job 18:5-7*; *Zechariah 8:23*; *Revelation 17:12*)

Jeremiah 25:26 “And **all the kings of the north**, far and near, one with another, and **all the kingdoms of the world**, which are upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.”

Satan’s plants his tabernacles in defiance of God

Lamentations 1:10 “The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her pleasant things: for she hath seen that **the heathen entered into her sanctuary**, whom thou didst command that they should not enter into thy congregation.”

Matthew 24:15 “When ye therefore shall **see the abomination of desolation**, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, **stand in the holy place**, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)” (See *Daniel 11:31*; *Mark 13:4*)

2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4 “Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and **exalteth himself above all** that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God **sitteth in the temple of God**, showing himself that he is God.

Isaiah 14:13, 14 “For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will **exalt my throne** above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the **mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north**: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will be like the most High**.”

Psalm 48:1, 2 “A Song and Psalm for the sons of Korah. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the **city of our God**, in the **mountain of his holiness**. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, **is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King**.”

Psalm 46:4 “There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad **the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles** of the most High.”

“**Only by changing God’s law could the papacy exalt itself above God...**” (4SP, p. 279) (See *Isaiah 66:18-20*; *56: 6, 7*; *Exodus 31:13*; *Ezekiel 20:12, 20*; *Isaiah 56:6, 7*)

“There is one pointed out in prophecy as the man of sin. He is the representative of Satan. Taking the suggestions of Satan concerning the law of God, which is as unchangeable as His throne, **this man of sin comes in and represents to the world that he has changed that law, and that the first day of the week instead of the seventh is now the Sabbath** Professing infallibility, he claims the right to change the law of God to suit his own purposes. **By so doing, he exalts himself above God...**” (7BC, p. 910)

“...**The substitution** of the laws of men for the law of God, the exaltation, by merely human authority, **of Sunday in place of the Bible Sabbath**, is **the last act in the drama**. When **this substitution becomes universal** God will reveal Himself. He will arise in His majesty to shake terribly the earth. He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity...” (Testimonies, vol. 7, p. 141) (See *Revelation 18:3*)

Between the Seas...

Ezekiel 28:2 “Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, **I am a God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas**; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God” (See *Ezekiel 27:3, 4, 34-36*; *2 Samuel 22:5, 6*; *Isaiah 27:1*; *57:20*)

Isaiah 57:20 “But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.”

Psalm 29:10 “The LORD **sitteth upon the flood**; yea, the LORD **sitteth King** for ever.”

Psalm 24:1, 2 “The earth is the LORD’S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. For he hath **founded it upon the seas**, and **established it upon the floods**.”

Jeremiah 3:17 “At that time **they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD**; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart.”

Isaiah 4:3 “And it shall come to pass, that he that **is left in Zion**, and he **that remaineth in Jerusalem**, shall be called **holy**, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:”

Isaiah 51:16 “And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto **Zion, Thou art my people.**”

“...Evil angels unite their powers with evil men, and as they have been in constant conflict and attained an experience in the best modes of deception and battle and have been strengthening for centuries, they will not yield the last great final contest without a desperate struggle and **all the world will be on one side or the other of the question.**” (3SM, p. 426)

“Soon all the inhabitants of the earth **will have taken sides**, either for or against the government of heaven.” (7T, p. 141)

Daniel 12:1 “**And at that time** shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: **and there shall be a time of trouble**, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.”

Revelation 22:11 “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.”

Psalms 119:126 “**It is time for thee, LORD, to work**: for they have made void thy law.” (Isaiah 23:11)

Isaiah 28:21 “For the LORD shall rise up as in mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, **his strange work**; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.”

Ezekiel 33:11 “Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, **I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked**; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; **for why will ye die**, O house of Israel?”

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How is Satan able to fool the world into this strong delusion? He has one last, strong delusion!

Ezekiel 38:15, 16 “And thou shalt come from thy place **out of the north parts**, thou, **and many people with thee**, all of them riding **upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army**: And **thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land**; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.” (See 2 Corinthians 11:14)

Revelation 19:11-14 “And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of God**. And **the armies** which were in **heaven followed him upon white horses**, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.”

2 Corinthians 11:14 “And no marvel; for **Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.**”

“...In different parts of the earth, Satan will manifest himself among men as a majestic being of dazzling brightness, resembling the **description of the Son of God given by John in the Revelation, Revelation 1:13-15**. The glory that surrounds him is unsurpassed by anything that mortal eyes have yet beheld...” (GC88, p. 624)

“As the **crowning act in the great drama of deception, Satan himself will personate Christ... The shout of triumph** rings out upon the air., ‘Christ has come! Christ has come!’... In gentle, compassionate tones he presents some of the same gracious, heavenly truths which the Saviour uttered; he heals the diseases of the people, and then, in his assumed character of Christ, **he claims to have changed the Sabbath to Sunday, and commands all to hallow the day which he has blessed**. He declares that those who persist in keeping holy the seventh day are blaspheming his name by refusing to listen to his angels sent to them with light and truth. This is the strong, almost overmastering delusion.” (GC88, p. 624)

“Satan sees that he is about to lose his case... He makes one last desperate effort to overcome the faithful by deception. **He does this in personating Christ**... He proclaims himself Christ, and he is believed to be Christ, a beautiful, majestic being... with glory unsurpassed by anything their mortal eyes had yet beheld. Then his deceived, deluded followers set up a **shout of victory**, ‘Christ has come the second time!...’ The saints look on with amazement. Will they also be deceived? Will they worship Satan?...**One effort more**, and then Satan's last device is employed. He hears the unceasing cry for Christ to come, for Christ to deliver them. **This last strategy is to personate Christ**, and make them think their prayers are answered. (LDE, p. 164-5)

“Fallen angels upon earth form confederations with evil men. In this age **antichrist will appear as the true Christ, and then the law of God will be fully made void** in the nations of our world. Rebellion against God's holy law will be fully ripe. But the true leader of all this rebellion is Satan clothed as an angel of light. Men will be deceived and will exalt him to the place of God...But Omnipotence will interpose, and... **the sentence will go forth**” (RH, September 12, 1893)

But God will arise & plant his people

Exodus 15:17 “Thou shalt bring them in, **and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance**, in the place, O LORD, *which* thou hast made for thee to dwell in, **in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.**” (See Psalm 92:10-13)

Numbers 24:5, 6 “How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, and thy tabernacles, O Israel! As the valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as the trees of lign aloes which the LORD hath planted, and as cedar trees beside the waters.” (See Isaiah 61:3)

- **And protect them in the time of trouble**

Psalm 27:5 “For **in the time of trouble** he shall hide me in his pavilion: **in the secret of his tabernacle** shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.”

Isaiah 26:20, 21 “Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: **hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast**. For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.”

Daniel 12:1 “And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: **and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.**”

Psalm 61:4 “I will **abide in thy tabernacle** for ever: I will **trust in the covert** of thy wings. Selah.”

Ezekiel 11:16 “Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, **yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary** in the countries where they shall come.”

- **The false coverings that Satan has offered to the wicked do not save them**

Isaiah 30:1-3 “Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and **that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit**, that they may add sin to sin: That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt! Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.”

Job 26:6 “Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.”

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Isaiah 40:24 “Yea, they shall **not be planted**; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and **the whirlwind shall take them away** as stubble.”

“Satan was trying his every art to hold them where they were, until the sealing was past, until the covering was drawn over God's people, and they left without a shelter from the burning wrath of God, in the seven last plagues. **God has begun to draw this covering over His people**, and it will soon be drawn over all who are to have a shelter in the day of slaughter. God will work in power for His people; and Satan will be permitted to work also.” (EW, p. 44)

Luke 23:30 “Then shall they begin to **say to the mountains**, Fall on us; and to the hills, **Cover us.**”

“‘It is done. It is finished.’ The plan of salvation had been accomplished, but few had chosen to accept it. And as mercy's sweet voice died away, fear and horror seized the wicked. With terrible distinctness they heard the words, “Too late! too late!” (EW, p. 281)